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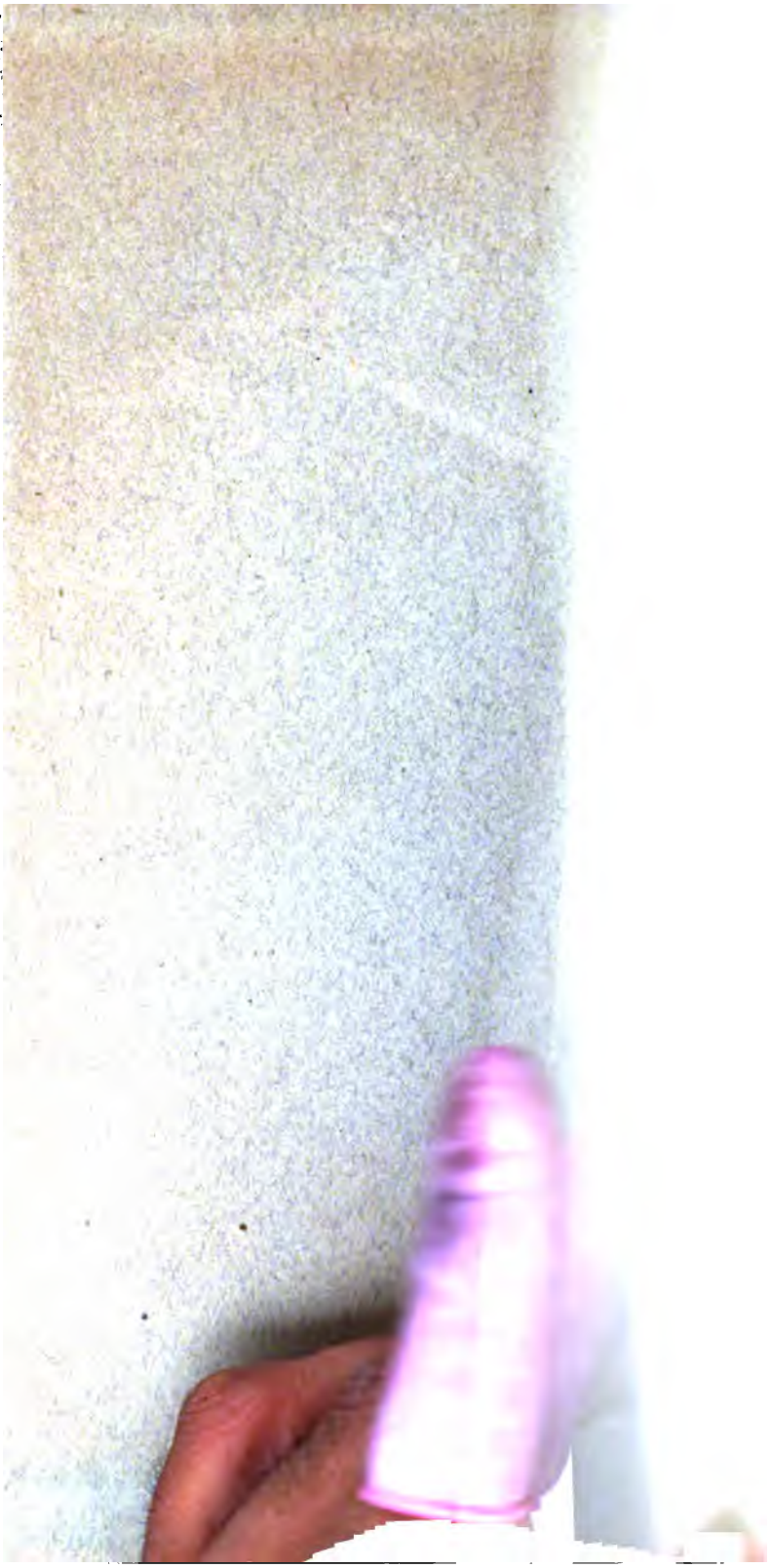

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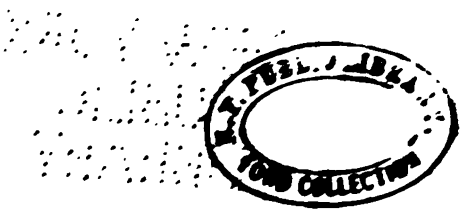

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WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION.

1845.

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" William Hilton.
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" John J. Kerr.
" George Kirke.
" Freeman Lane.
" Milton C. Lightner.
" Samuel T. Lord.
" *John J. McElhinny.
" John H. Marsden.
" John Gordon Maxwell.
" Samuel R. Meade.
" Tobias H. Michell, M.D.
" George Mintzer.
" Richard U. Morgan.
" Jacob B. Morss.
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" George W. Natt.
" Edmund Neville.

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" Richard Newton.	" George Sheets.
" William H. Odenheimer.	" William W. Spear.
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" Willie Peck.	" William Suddards.
" William S. Perkins.	" *Mortimer R. Talbot.
" John B. Pradt.	" Henry Tullidge.
" William Preston.	" Stephen H. Tyng, D.D.
" Azariah Prior.	" George Upfold, D.D.
" Peter Van Pelt.	" Alexander Varian.
" Thomas H. Quinan.	" Joshua Weaver.
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" John Rodney, Jr.	" *Bird Wilson, D.D.
" Joshua M. Rogers.	" Christian Wiltberger, Jr.
" Peter Russell.	" Enos Woodward.
" Owen Evans Shannon.	" W. Augustus White.

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John M. Allen,	Peter Baldy,
Hamilton Alricks,	Thomas K. Bull,
John L. Atlee,	Hill Brinton,
Wm. Alexander,	Henry W. Brinton,
Lewis R. Ashhurst,	Charles C. Boyd,
James M. Aertsen,	*Benjamin Brooke,
Thomas Allibone,	Isaac B. Burrows,
H. L. Bollman,	*A. E. Brown,
William F. Baker,	Charles N. Bancker,
George Brooke,	Thomas J. Biles,
Garret Brown,	*John Beatty,
John Barnsley,	Simmons H. Barrett,
George Buchanan,	John Bender,
Clement Brooke,	Robert Bruce,
Henry Buckwalter,	Gaylord Church,
Lewis Brinton,	John Cornog,

Thomas M. Charlton,
A. M. Coe,
Edward Crandal,
John Cook,
Redmond Conyngham,
*J. Yeates Conyngham,
William Casselberry,
Charles H. Clay,
Herman Cope,
John W. Claghorn,
Henry W. Chadwick,
Harry Conrad,
George M. Cumming,
W. W. Dick,
Joseph G. Davis,
Andrew Dunlap,
Edward Davies,
Robley Dunglison, M. D.
Lambert Duy,
Jacob P. Donaldson,
*George A. Elliott,
B. Morris Ellis,
*Edward Evans,
Dr. Jacob Forney,
Amzi Fuller,
*R. Rush Franks,
John Farr,
George Fox,
James Field,
Edmund H. Frishmuth,
Enoch Gray,
Frederick Grosscup,
Henry Gamber,
Albert J. Gauber,
*John Griffiths,
John D. George,
Edmund Green,
Edward J. Glenn,
Edward F. Gay,
J. C. Gunn,
*John Holmes,
George Hogg,
Thomas Heed,
George Harrison,
Samuel H. Harrison,
William K. Huffnagle,
Thomas G. Henderson,
Amos S. Henderson,
John Hunter,
Wm. W. Hamersley,
*John Hoskins,
Alexander L. Hayes,
James Y. Humphreys,
Francis Hoskins,
Charles Harvey,
John S. Haverstick,
Charles W. Harrison,
William S. Hill,
*Samuel Heilner,
*Charles M. Hill,
R. C. Hale,
Matthias Holstein,
Hopewell Hepburn,
Asa Hammond,
Joseph R. Ingersoll,
James Johnson,
Dr. P. Jenks,
Jonathan Jones,
John G. Johnson,
Benjamin F. Johnson,
Griffith Jones,
Thomas B. Jacobs,

Cyrus H. Jacobs,
*Henry Johnson,
Benjamin Jackson,
*Hezekiah King,
Dr. Wm. H. Klapp,
John W. Kester,
Dr. Edward D. Kittoe,
William Kirkham,
Joseph S. Keen,
*William C. Kelso,
*William Lilly,
Ellis Lewis,
Joel Lightner,
Mordecai D. Lewis,
William Letford,
James P. Landsdown,
Lawrence S. Lardner,
*Richard P. Lardner,
John S. Littell,
David D. Lewis,
Robert P. Lane,
E. E. Locke,
John S. Morris,
Lewis H. Maus,
David Morgan,
*O. Metcalf,
William M. Meredith,
William Martin,
Caspar Morris,
James Moore,
Samuel W. Morris,
James McIlvaine,
Robert McCall,
Richard McAllister,
Major McVeigh,
John McKinley,
D. McDonald,
John McFarland,
Thomas McSorley,
Matthew McPaul,
William R. McLaury,
Samuel S. Neale,
Isaac Norton,
Frederick Nash,
Joseph Neide,
James S. Newbold,
David Patterson,
William Paff,
Asa Packer,
*Cromwell Pierce,
Lewis G. Pearce,
John Paul,
*Issachar Pawling,
George W. Pearce,
Benjamin Parke, Jr.
John N. Purviance,
David Plank,
John H. Purdy,
John C. Pechin,
Thomas H. Powers,
Edward Owen Parry,
William B. Potts,
Thomas Robinson,
Mathias S. Richards,
John S. Richards,
*Thomas Read,
Frederick B. Robeson,
John P. Rutter,
Henry Reed,
Robert Ralston,
Joseph S. Riley, Sen.
James Ridings,

Thomas Robins,
Edmund Richardson,
William Robinson, Jr.
Clement S. Rutter,
Dr. John Rosencrantz,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Levi B. Smith,
Samuel Swift,
William Stavely,
William H. Sayre,
Samuel Shafer,
Richard S. Smith,
Henry Sweitzer,
William Scott,
Adam Slemmer,
John Swift,
James S. Smith,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Aubrey H. Smith,
George M. Stroud,
Wyndham H. Stokes,
Rasselas Searle,
J. D. Torbett,
Ephraim Taylor,
Azariah Thomas,
Caleb P. Talbot,
Robert Toland,
Thomas S. Taylor,
*Dr. Samuel Thomas,
Bethuel B. Vincent,
Andrew Wills, M. D.
Frederick Watts,
*A. P. Wilson,
John Wolford,
George R. White,
*John Wright,
B. F. Weaver,
Robert Wright,
Warren J. Woodward,
William Wills,
Francis West, M. D.
George M. Wharton,
William Welsh,
Edmund Wilcox,
Peter Williamson,
Samuel Wagner,
William Webb,
Thomas C. Williams,
*John Weightman,
Arad Wakelee,
*William Ward,
*Chester C. Wright.
Abiram Winton,
John Yocum,
John K. Zeilin, 231.

NOTE.—Those whose names are marked thus * were not present at the Convention.

ROLL OF LAY DELEGATES,

FROM THE SEVERAL CHURCHES OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Adams County. Huntingdon township, Christ Church. Wm. W. Hamersley, John Wolford.

Allegheny County. City of Pittsburg, Trinity Church. O. Metcalf, George R. White.

City of Pittsburg, St. Andrew's Church. George Hogg, H. L. Bollman, John Holmes.

Allegheny, Christ Church. Joseph G. Davis.

Laceyville, St. Paul's Church. Henry Gamber.

Armstrong County. Kittaning, St. Paul's Church. David Patterson, Samuel S. Neale.

Freeport, Trinity Church. J. D. Torbett, B. F. Weaver, Dr. McDonald.

Berks County. Morlattin, St. Gabriel's Church. George Brooke.

Reading, Christ Church. Matthias S. Richards, Joseph L. Stichter, John S. Richards.

Morgantown, St. Thomas' Church. Levi B. Smith, David Plank, David Morgan.

Bradford County. Pike, St. Matthew's Church, Edward Crandal.

Towanda, Christ Church. A. M. Coe.

Bucks County. St. James the Greater's Church. James Johnson, Robert Wright, Hezekiah King.

Newtown, St. Luke's Church. Dr. P. Jenks, Garret Brown, John Barnsley.

Yardleyville, St. Andrew's Church. William Paff, Thomas Heed, John Cook.

Hulmeville, Grace Church. George Harrison, Samuel Swift, Samuel H. Harrison.

Centreville, Trinity Church. William Stavely, William K. Huffnagle.

Butler County. Butler, St. Peter's Church. John N. Purviance.

Carbon County. Mauch Chunk, St. Mark's Church. William H. Sayre, Asa Packer; *William Lilly.

Centre County. Bellefonte, St. John's Church. George Buchanan.

Chester County. New London township, St. John's Church. Frederick Grosscup, *John Wright, Thomas M. Charlton.

Warwick township, St. Mary's Church. Clement Brooke, Thomas K. Bull, Samuel Shafer.

Great Valley, St. Peter's Church. *Col. Cromwell Pierce, Lewis G. Pearce.

Pequea, St. John's Church. Thomas G. Henderson, William F. Baker, Amos S. Henderson.

West Whiteland township, St. Paul's Church. Ephraim Taylor, Azariah Thomas, Jonathan Jones.

West Vincent, St. Andrews' Church. John Paul, Henry Buckwalter.

Honeybrook, St. Mark's Church. *Issachar Pawling, Caleb P. Talbot, John Yocum.

West Chester, Church of the Holy Trinity. John Hunter, Lewis Brinton, George W. Pearce.

Phœnixville, St. Peter's Church. John S. Morris, Major McVeigh.

Downingtown, St. James' Church. John McKinley, Andrew Wills, M. D., John Cornog.

Columbia County. Sugarloaf township, St. Gabriel's Church.

Bloomsburg, St. Paul's Church. Lewis H. Maus.

Danville, Christ Church. Peter Baldy.

Crawford County. Meadville, Christ Church. W. W. Dick, John McFarland, Gaylord Church.

Cumberland County. Carlisle, St. John's Church. Frederick Watts.

Dauphin County. Harrisburg, St. Stephen's Church. Hamilton Alricks, Benjamin Parke, Jr., Richard McAllister.

Delaware County. Chester, St. Paul's Church. John G. Johnson, John K. Zeilin, John M. Allen.

Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook, St. Martin's Church. Enoch Gray, Benjamin F. Johnson, Thomas Robinson.

Concord township, St. John's Church. Hill Brinton, Henry W. Brinton, Robert McCall.

Newtown township, Radnor. St. David's Church. Isaac Norton, Griffith Jones, *Benjamin Brooke.

Rockdale, Calvary Church. Richard S. Smith, *John Hoskins, *John Griffiths.

Erie County. Erie, St. Paul's Church. Bethuel B. Vincent, *George A. Elliot, *William C. Kelso.

Waterford, St. Peter's Church. Charles C. Boyd.

Fayette County. Brownsville, Christ Church. Henry Sweitzer.

Uniontown, St. Peter's Church. James McIlvaine.

Huntingdon County. Huntingdon, St. John's Church. *Thos. Read, *A. P. Wilson, Dr. Jacob Forney.

Hollidaysburg, Christ Church. Albert J. Gauber.

Indiana County. Blairsville, St. Peter's Church. William Scott.

Lancaster County. Lancaster, St. James's Church. Alexander L. Hayes, Ellis Lewis, John L. Attee.

Leacock, Christ Church. Andrew Dunlap, Thomas McSorley, Joel Lightner.

Caernarvon township, Churchtown, Bangor Church. Edward Davies, Thomas B. Jacobs, Cyrus H. Jacobs.

Paradise, All Saints Church. Redmond Conyngham, Isaac B. Burrows, *J. Yeates Conyngham.

Luzerne County. Wilkesbarre, St. Stephen's Church. Amzi Fuller, Warren J. Woodward.

Lycoming County. Muncy, St. James' Church. Dr. Edward D. Kittoe, B. Morris Ellis, *Henry Johnson.

Mifflin County. Lewistown, St. Mark's Church. R. C. Hale, E. E. Locke, *R. Rush Franks.

Montgomery County. Whitemarsh township, St. Thomas' Church. Frederick Nash, Frederick B. Robeson.

Perkiomen township, St. James' Church. Wm. Casselberry, *Edward Evans.

Norristown, St. Johns' Church. Mathias Holstein, Adam Slemmer, William Wills.

Pottstown, Christ Church. John P. Rutter, Joseph Neide, Charles H. Clay.

Northampton County. Easton, Trinity Church. Hopewell Hepburn, John Swift, *A. E. Brown.

Northumberland County. Sunbury, St. Matthew's Church. John H. Purdy.

Philadelphia County. Philadelphia, Christ Church. James Y. Humphreys, Francis West, M. D., William M. Meredith.

Philadelphia, St. Peter's Church. James S. Smith, Joseph R. Ingersoll, Henry Reed.

Philadelphia, St. James Church. Robert Ralston, Robert Toland, Geo. M. Wharton.

Philadelphia, St. Paul's Church. John Farr, John D. George, Wm. Alexander.

Philadelphia, St. Stephen's Church. Charles N. Bancker, William Kirkham, Robley Dunglison, M. D.

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church. Cornelius Stevenson, Lambert Duy, Thomas Robins.

Philadelphia, Grace Church. Herman Cope, John W. Claghorn, Francis Hoskins.

Philadelphia, Church of the Ascension. James S. Newbold, William Martin, Charles Harvey.

Philadelphia, St. Luke's Church. William Welsh, Mordecai D. Lewis, Edmund Wilcox.

Philadelphia, Church of the Epiphany. Lewis R. Ashhurst, Caspar Morris, Thomas S. Taylor.

Northern Liberties, St. John's Church. John W. Kester, Henry W. Chadwick, William Letford.

Northern Liberties, Advent Church. Joseph S. Riley, Sen., John S. Haverstick, Edmund H. Frishmuth.

Moyamensing, All Saints' Church. James Moore, James P. Landsdown, James Ridings.

Southwark, Church of the Evangelists. Edmund Richardson, James M. Aertsen, William Robinson, Jr.

Southwark, Trinity Church. Peter Williamson, Clement S. Rutter, Dr. Wm. H. Klapp.

Kingsessing, St. James' Church. Dr. Samuel Thomas, Aubrey H. Smith, Thomas J. Biles.

Francisville, St. Matthew's Church. James Field, *John Beaty, Geo. M. Stroud.

Lower Dublin township, All Saints' Church. Charles W. Harrison, Lawrence S. Lardner.

Holmesburg, Emanuel Church. George Fox, Simmons H. Barrett, Edward J. Glen.

Oxford township, Trinity Church. Edmund Green, *Richard P. Lardner.

Germantown, St. Luke's Church. John S. Littell, Benjamin Jackson, Wyndham H. Stokes.

Kensington, Emanuel Church. Jacob P. Donaldson, Matthew McPaul, *John Bender.

West Philadelphia, St. Mary's Church. Thomas Allibone, Joseph S. Keen, Edward F. Gay.

Manayunk, St. David's Church. Samuel Wagner, John C. Pechin, Dr. John Rosencrantz.

Spring Garden, St. Philip's Church. Thomas H. Powers, Harry Conrad, William Webb.

Schuylkill County. Pottsville, Trinity Church. Edward Owen Parry, Thos. C. Williams, George M. Cumming.

Schuylkill Haven, St. James' Church. William B. Potts, William S. Hill, David D. Lewis.

Minersville, St. Paul's Church. *Samuel Heilner, *John Weightman, *Charles M. Hill.

Susquehanna County. Springville, St. Andrew's Church. Arad Wakelee.

New Milford, St. Mark's Church. *William Ward, Asa Hammond, Chester C. Wright.

Montrose, St. Paul's Church. Rasselas Searle.

Tioga County. Wellsborough, St. Paul's Church. Samuel W. Morris.

Washington County. Washington, Trinity Church. Robert P. Lane.

Wayne County. Honesdale, Grace Church, Dyberry Parish. J. C. Gunn, Wm. R. McLawry, Abiram Winton.

York County. St. John's Church. Robert Bruce.

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PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Tuesday, May 20th, A. D. 1845, 6 o'clock, P. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, several clergymen and lay deputies attended at St. Andrew's Church.

The Secretary being present called the Convention to order, and proceeded to call over the list of the clergy entitled to seats, prepared under the direction of the Standing Committee. The following answered to their names and took their seats: viz.

Rev. Joseph Adderly.
" William Adderly.
" Levi Bull, D.D.
" William H. Bourns.
" Samuel Bowman, D.D.
" George Boyd, D.D.
" Charles Breck.
" Edward Y. Buchanan.
" William James Clark.
" Robert Bethell Claxton.
" John B. Clemson.
" John Coleman, D.D.
" Asa S. Colton.
" Thomas Crumpton.
" Marcus K. Cushman.
" Thomas M. Clark.
" Heman Dyer, D.D.

Rev. Robert Davis.
" William N. Diehl.
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.
" George C. Drake.
" Henry W. Ducachet, D.D.
" George G. Field.
" Donald Frazer.
" Benjamin S. Huntington.
" Marmaduke Hirst.
" Richard D. Hall.
" Henry T. Hiester.
" William Hilton.
" George Kirke.
" John J. Kerr.
" Milton C. Lightner.
" Samuel T. Lord.
" John Gordon Maxwell.

Rev. John H. Marsden.
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" Samuel R. Meade.
" Tobias H. Michell, M.D.
" George Mintzer.
" Richard U. Morgan.
" Jacob B. Morss.
" Richard Newton.
" George W. Natt.
" Edmund Neville.
" William Herbert Norris.
" Frederick Ogilby.
" William H. Odenheimer.
" Peter Van Pelt.
" Willie Peck.
" William S. Perkins.
" William Preston.
" Azariah Prior.

Rev. Thomas H. Quinan.
" Peter Russell.
" Greenbury W. Ridgley.
" John Rodney, Jr.
" Joshua M. Rogers.
" William Suddards.
" Richard Smith.
" William W. Spear.
" Nathan Stem.
" Stephen H. Tyng, D.D.
" Henry Tullidge.
" George Upfold, D.D.
" Alexander Varian.
" Enos Woodward.
" Joshua Weaver.
" William White.
" Christian Wiltberger, Jr.
" Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall.

The Secretary then received the testimonials from those attending as Lay Deputies, and recorded the names of such as presented their testimonials in the form prescribed by the Canon. Upon calling their names, the following gentlemen answered and took their seats: viz.

John M. Allen,
Hamilton Alricks,
John L. Atlee,
Wm. Alexander,
Lewis R. Ashhurst,
James M. Aertsen,
Thomas Allibone,
George Buchanan,
Clement Brooke,
Henry Buckwalter,
Lewis Brinton,

Peter Baldy,
Thomas K. Bull,
Isaac B. Burrows,
Robert Bruce,
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Herman Cope,

Gaylord Church,
John W. Claghorn,
Harry Conrad,
George M. Cumming,
W. W. Dick,
Joseph G. Davis,
Andrew Dunlap,
Edward Davies,
Robley Dunglison, M. D.
Lambert Duy,
Jacob P. Donaldson,
B. Morris Ellis,
Dr. Jacob Forney,
Amzi Fuller,
John Farr,
Edmund H. Frishmuth,
Frederick Grosscup,
Henry Gamber,
Albert J. Gauber,
John D. George,
Edward J. Glenn,
Edward F. Gay,
J. C. Gunn,
Samuel H. Harrison,
Thomas G. Henderson,
Amos S. Henderson,
Wm. W. Hamersley,
Alexander L. Hayes,
James Y. Humphreys,
Francis Hoskins,
John S. Haverstick,
William S. Hill,
R. C. Hale,
Hopewell Hepburn,
Asa Hammond,
Joseph R. Ingersoll,
James Johnson,
Dr. P. Jenks,
Jonathan Jones,
John G. Johnson,
Griffith Jones,
Thomas B. Jacobs,
Benjamin Jackson,
Dr. Wm. H. Klapp,
John W. Kester,
Dr. Edward D. Kittoe,
William Kirkham,
Joseph S. Keen,
Ellis Lewis,
Joel Lightner,
William Letford,
James P. Landsdown,
John S. Littell,
Robert P. Lane,
E. E. Locke,
David Morgan,
William M. Meredith,
William Martin,
Caspar Morris,
James Moore,
Samuel W. Morris,
Richard McAllister,
John McKinley,
D. McDonald,
John McFarland,
Matthew McPaul,
William R. McLaury,
Samuel S. Neale,
Isaac Norton,
Frederick Nash,
Joseph Neide,
James S. Newbold,

Asa Packer,
John Paul,
George W. Pearce,
Benjamin Parke, Jr.
John N. Purviance,
David Plank,
John H. Purdy,
John C. Pechin,
Thomas H. Powers,
Edward Owen Parry,
William B. Potts,
Mathias S. Richards,
John S. Richards,
Frederick B. Robeson,
John P. Rutter,
Henry Reed,
Robert Ralston,
Joseph S. Riley, Sen.
Thomas Robins,
Edmund Richardson,
William Robinson, Jr.
Clement S. Rutter,
Dr. John Rosencrantz,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Levi B. Smith,
Samuel Swift,
William Stavely,
William H. Sayre,
Samuel Shafer,
Richard S. Smith,
Henry Sweitzer,
William Scott,
John Swift,
James S. Smith,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Aubrey H. Smith,
George M. Stroud,
Wyndham H. Stokes,
Rasselas Searle,
J. D. Torbett,
Azariah Thomas,
Caleb P. Talbot,
Robert Toland,
Thomas S. Taylor,
Frederick Watts,
John Wolford,
George R. White,
B. F. Weaver,
Robert Wright,
William Wills,
Francis West, M. D.
George M. Wharton,
William Welsh,
Edmund Wilcox,
Peter Williamson,
Samuel Wagner,
William Webb,
Thomas C. Williams,
Arad Wakelee,
John Yocum,
John K. Zeilin.

The Episcopate of this Diocese being vacant, the Convention, upon the motion of the Rev. Mr. Morgan, resolved to elect a President from among the clergy, by ballot. The Rev.

Dr. Morton was nominated by the Rev. Mr. Morgan; and the Rev. Dr. Bull, by the Rev. Mr. Suddards.

The Rev. Mr. Norris and Mr. G. M. Stroud, were appointed by the Secretary, tellers, to receive the votes of the Clergy; and the Rev. Mr. Spear, and Mr. W. M. Meredith, tellers, to receive the votes of the Lay Representations. The tellers having reported that the Rev. Dr. Bull had received a majority of the votes both of the Clergy and of the Lay Representations, he was declared to be duly elected President of the Convention, and took his seat accordingly.

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to the election of a Secretary and Assistant Secretary. The Rev. Dr. Morton, nominated Mr. G. M. Wharton for Secretary, and Rev. Mr. Odenheimer nominated the Rev. Mr. Ogilby for Assistant Secretary. Mr. Thomas K. Bull nominated the Rev. Mr. Spear for Secretary, and the Rev. Mr. Newton nominated the Rev. Mr. Maxwell for Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Morton and Mr. Cornelius Stevenson were appointed by the President tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy, and the Rev. Mr. Ridgeley and Mr. James S. Smith, tellers to receive the votes of the Laity. The tellers having reported that neither of the persons balloted for had received a majority of the votes of both orders, the Rev. Dr. Coleman moved to proceed to a second ballot. The President pronounced this motion out of order, being of opinion that the Rev. Mr. Maxwell had been elected Assistant Secretary. The Rev. Dr. Coleman appealed from this decision; but no proceedings were had upon the appeal. Mr. Joseph S. Riley moved to proceed to a second ballot. The Rev. Dr. Coleman moved to adjourn—but the President decided the motion to adjourn to be then out of order. The Convention then, on motion of Mr. Thomas K. Bull, resolved to proceed to a second ballot for Secretary and Assistant Secretary—the same tellers acting as before. The votes having been received, the tellers reported that neither of the persons voted for had received the votes of a majority of both orders.

It was then, on motion of G. M. Wharton, Resolved,

That the house shall hold two sessions every day, viz: from 9 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M. and from 5 o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., provided that it shall not meet on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock.

It was also

Resolved, That such clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, belonging to this Diocese, not entitled to seats in this Convention, and such clergymen not belonging to this Diocese, and such clergymen of the Church of England or of her colonies, and such students of Divinity of the Episcopal Church, as may be now in the City of Philadelphia, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The Convention then adjourned until 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, to attend divine service.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church.
Wednesday, May 21st, 1845, 10 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met and attended divine service. Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Spear, assisted by the Rev. E. N. Lightner, who read the lessons. The ante-communion was read by the Rev. Dr. Bull. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas M. Clark, after which the Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. Dr. Bull, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Spear, Clark, and Lightner.

The Convention was called to order after service. The roll was then called, and the minutes of yesterday, P. M., read and approved.

The following clergymen entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz: The Rev. Messrs. Beasley, Lane, Shannon, and Sheets:—And the following lay deputies, viz: Messrs. G. Hogg, H. L. Bollman, D. Patterson, G. Brown, L. G. Pearce, W. F. Baker, E. Taylor, I. Hunter, I. S. Morris, A. Wills, B. F. Johnson,

T. Robinson, J. McIlaine, W. Casselberry, M. Holstein, A. Slemmer, M. D. Lewis, H. W. Chadwick, T. J. Biles, C. W. Harrison, G. Fox, T. H. Barrett, E. Green, and D. D. Lewis, not present yesterday and entitled to seats, appeared, having presented their proper certificates, and took their seats.

Hon. Ellis Lewis offered the following resolution, which was seconded by the Hon. H. Hepburn:

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Bowman and the Rev. Dr. Tyng, of the clerical order, and Hon. A. L. Hays and Wm. M. Meredith, Esq. of the lay order, be a Committee to conduct the President from his present position to a seat on the platform, in the rear of the reading desk. The resolution was adopted, and the gentlemen designated accordingly conducted the President to his new seat.

Mr. Neide then moved to proceed to a third ballot for Secretary and Assistant Secretary. Mr. James S. Smith moved to postpone Mr. Neide's motion, which was carried, and again moved, that the election of Secretary and Assistant Secretary be postponed, which was adopted. The Secretary then read the Rules of order from the revised regulations, and moved that a Committee on Elections be appointed, consisting of five members; which was done, and the Rev. Messrs. Newton and Natt, and Messrs. Parke, Meredith, and J. S. Richards, were appointed. A list of the Clergy absent at the last Convention was then called over by the Secretary, agreeably to the 14th Canon, sec. 5, when the Rev. Messrs. Wm. Adderly and Dyer, answered to their names, and gave excuses for their absence. A communication was read from the Rev. Mr. Alden, claiming a right to a seat in the Convention; and was, on motion of Rev. T. M. Clark, referred to a Special Committee of three. The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Clark, Morgan, and Spear; and on motion of Mr. Thomas K. Bull, the question of the right of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass to a seat was referred to the same Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Odenheimer, it was unanimously Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. T. M. Clark for his intelligent, discriminating, and highly appropriate discourse delivered before the Convention this morning; and, on motion of Mr. Alricks, it was Resolved that 500 copies of the sermon be published.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

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Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church,
Wednesday, May 21, A. D., 1845. 5 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met, and the roll being called, the minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The following Lay Deputies, not before present, and entitled to seats, appeared, having presented their proper certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats, viz: A. M. Coe, J. Barnsley, W. K. Huffnagle, M. McVeigh, E. Gray, Hill Brinton, H. W. Brinton, B. B. Vincent, C. C. Boyd, T. McSorley, C. H. Jacobs, W. J. Woodward, C. Harvey, J. Ridings, L. S. Lardner, T. Heed, and A. Winton. The Rev. Mr. Newton, the Secretary of the Standing Committee, laid upon the table the Charters of the Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county; Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne county; St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne county; and the Articles of Association of St. Mary's Church, Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, with a certificate that they had severally been approved by the Standing Committee.

On motion of the Secretary, a Committee on Charters was appointed by the President, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Buchanan, Suddards, and Hirst, and Messrs. Welsh, H. Reed, and Parry; and the foregoing Charters and Articles were referred to that Committee.

A report from the Trustees of the Christmas Fund, accompanied by the account of the Treasurer of that fund, was laid

upon the table, as were also the minutes of the Standing Committee, by its Secretary; and the Report of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, it was Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to arrange seats for the accommodation of the Convention; Rev. Drs. Upfold and Coleman were appointed.

The Committee on the claim of the Rev. Mr. Alden to a seat, made a report as follows:

The Committee appointed by the Convention to inquire into the claim of the Rev. Charles H. Alden, and the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass to seats in the Convention, respectfully report, that the Rev. Mr. Alden is a chaplain in the U. S. navy, and has resided for the last twelve calendar months in the diocese of Rhode Island, waiting orders from the Navy Department. There is no evidence of his having obtained leave of absence from the ecclesiastical authority of this diocese for the above space of time. The Committee are unable to decide whether or not, his office as a chaplain in the Navy entitles him to be absent from the diocese, without such express permission.

In reference to the case of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, the Committee report that the Rev. gentleman has made no personal claim to a seat in the Convention, and so far as they are informed of the circumstances of his case, they are of opinion that he is not entitled to a seat in the Convention.

THOS. M. CLARK, Chairman.

The Committee on the arrangement of seats for the accommodation of the members of the Convention, reported, That the 14 pews from the chancel, in each aisle, be appropriated exclusively to the members of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Ogilby moved that the report do not affect the present session of the Convention; when on motion of Mr. Riley, the subject was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Col. Thos. K. Bull, it was Resolved, That

the Rev. Mr. Alden is entitled to a seat as a member of this Convention. The Secretary thereupon called the name of the Rev. Charles H. Alden, who answered and took his seat. Mr. J. S. Richards offered the following:—Resolved, That this Convention now proceed to the election of some fit and qualified clergyman to be the Bishop of this Diocese. He subsequently modified his resolution so as to read, "That said election be the order of the day for to-morrow morning after divine service." Rev. Mr. Norris moved to amend by directing the election to take place after the reception of the Report of the Committee on Elections. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the motion of Mr. Richards was amended by ordering the election of a Bishop to take place on Thursday morning, the 22d instant, at 11 o'clock, and being so amended, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Welsh offered the following:—Resolved, That the salary of the Bishop of this Diocese be $ per annum, payable quarterly, by the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, the interest of the existing fund to be applied to its payment, and in addition thereto, the Treasurer be authorized to use so much of future collections as may be required to complete the payment.

Mr. Riley moved to fill the blank with $4000.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, the original motion, with the amendment, was referred to a committee of five to report at this present Convention. The President appointed Messrs. James S. Smith, Meredith, Welsh, Rev. Messrs. Suddards and Odenheimer.

Mr. Alricks offered the following resolution:—Resolved, That the Committee on Elections be directed to ascertain and report to this Convention, whether the Church of the Ascension in the city of Philadelphia, and now represented in this body, has ever been admitted as a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. On the suggestion of Mr. J. S. Smith, the motion was modified so as to direct an inquiry and report, whether there is any Church,

now represented in Convention, which has not been admitted as a member of the Church in this Diocese.

Pending the discussion of this Resolution, the Convention adjourned.

G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Thursday, May 22d, 1845, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Mintzer. The roll was then called and the minutes read and approved. The following deputies not before present, answered to their names, and took their seats: viz. Messrs. R. McCall, and Samuel Thomas. The Secretary of the Standing Committee laid on the table the Charter of the Church of Gloria Dei, Southwark, Philadelphia county, and on motion it was referred to the Committee on charters. The Rev. Dr. Dorr presented and read a statement of the condition of the Church in this Diocese prepared by direction of the Standing Committee as follows:

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN—THE CLERICAL AND THE LAY MEMBERS OF THIS CONVENTION:—

At a recent meeting of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, the following resolution was adopted;—"RESOLVED, That the President and Secretary be requested to prepare an address, to be read by the President, at the next annual Convention, presenting, so far as is suitable, the different matters which section second of Canon eighth of 1841 requires to be embodied in the annual address of every Bishop to the Convention of his Diocese."

In compliance with this resolution, the following view of the state of the Church in this Diocese, since the special Convention in September last is respectfully submitted.

Ordinations.—In November 1844, in St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, at the request of the Standing Committee, Bishop Lee admitted the Rev. Alexander Crummell, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests.

On Sunday, January 5th, 1845, at the request of the Standing Committee, Bishop Kemper admitted the Rev. John B. Colhoun, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, in St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

On Tuesday, March 18th, in the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, at the request of the Standing Committee, Bishop Lee admitted E. J. P. Messinger to the holy order of Deacons, and the Rev. Edmund Leaf and the Rev. Peter Russell to the holy order of Priests.

On Tuesday, March 25th, in St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, Chester county, Bishop Lee, at the request of the Standing Committee, admitted the Rev. William H. Woodward, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests.

Confirmations.—At the request of the late Bishop of this Diocese, Bishop Gadsden confirmed nine persons at Whitemarsh.

On October 27th, 1844, at the request of the same, Bishop Lee confirmed fifteen persons in St. John's Church, Concord.

At the request of the Standing Committee, Bishop Lee administered Confirmation in the following Churches. In the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, confirmed 23 persons; in Grace Church 21; in St. Paul's, 13; in Gloria Dei, 10; in St. Andrew's, 22; in St. Philip's, 16; in Christ Church, 14; in St. James' Church, 20; in Advent Church, 11; in the Church of the Evangelists, 26; in St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, 7; in St. Mary's Church, Hamiltonville, 4; in Emmanuel Church, Kensington, 6; in St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, 4. Total number confirmed 221.

Consecration.—On the 27th of October, 1844, at the request of the late Bishop of this Diocese; Bishop Lee consecrated St. John's Church, Concord.

Removals.—Since the 5th of September last, the following

persons have taken letters of dismission from this Diocese; viz: the Rev. John Grigg, to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. George Watson, to the Diocese of Western New York; the Rev. William J. Bakewell, and the Rev. William W. Arnett, to the Diocese of Ohio; the Rev. Henry M. Dennison, to the Diocese of South Carolina; the Rev. Edward C. Jones, to the Diocese of Maryland; and the Rev. Alexander Crummell, to the Diocese of New York.

Mr. Henry E. Montgomery, a candidate for orders, has been transferred to the jurisdiction of Bishop Kemper; Mr. Jonathan P. Hammond, to the Diocese of Virginia; and Mr. William R. Gries, to the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Rev. S. W. Crumpton has been received into this Diocese, by letters of dismission from Bishop Whittingham; and the Rev. John A. Vaughan, D.D., by letters of dismission from Bishop Elliot.

Changes.—The Rev. Asa S. Colton has resigned the charge of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook, Chester county, and taken charge of Christ Church, Towanda, Bradford county. The Rev. E. J. P. Messinger has taken charge of Trinity Church, Washington, Washington county. The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass has resigned the charge of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county, and is succeeded by the Rev. George E. Hare, D.D., who was elected to the Rectorship of that Church on the second of November last. The Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan has resigned the charge of St. John's Church, Piquea, Chester county.

The missionaries in the Diocese, under the Society for the advancement of Christianity, are twenty-seven in number. Their names and places of officiating are as follows:—

The Rev. William Adderly, at New-Brighton and St. Paul's Church, Beaver county.

The Rev. Joseph Adderly, at Greensburg and Blairsville.

The Rev. Charles Breck, at Wellsborough, Tioga county.

The Rev. J. B. Colhoun, at Muncy and parts adjacent.

The Rev. S. W. Crumpton, at Uniontown, Fayette county.

The Rev. Thomas Crumpton, at Alleghany.

The Rev. Marcus K. Cushman, at New Milford and Montrose.

The Rev. Thomas J. Davis, City and districts of Philadelphia.

The Rev. William N. Diehl, Whitemarsh.

The Rev. George C. Drake, at Schuylkill Haven.

The Rev. William Hilton, at Kittanning.

The Rev. George P. Hopkins, at Doylestown, Jenkintown, and Chestnut Hill.

The Rev. Freeman Lane, at Troy, Bradford county.

The Rev. J. B. Hoffman, at Little York.

The Rev. Edmund Leaf, at Pottstown.

The Rev. Milton C. Lightner, at Danville.

The Rev. Samuel T. Lord, at Bloomsburg.

The Rev. John H. Marsden, at Christ Church, Adams county.

The Rev. E. Mendenhall, at Salem, Wayne county.

The Rev. Tobias H. Michell, at Waterford, Erie county.

The Rev. George W. Natt, at Bellefont.

The Rev. John B. Pradt, at Jersey Shore and Lock Haven.

The Rev. Peter Russel, at Mauch Chunk.

The Rev. Richard Smith, at Springville.

The Rev. Joshua Weaver, at Sunbury.

The Rev. William White, at Butler.

The Rev. C. Wiltberger, at Centreville, Bucks county.

There are at present, in this Diocese, twenty-eight candidates for holy orders. The list of candidates accompanies this communication.

By order of the Standing Committee,

BENJAMIN DORR, President.

RICHARD NEWTON, Secretary.

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, May 20th, 1845.

Joseph Hicks Smith—since September 28th, 1841.
Augustus B. Tizzard—since March 1, 1842.
Samuel Stones, M. D.—since May 5, 1842.
Albert William Duy—since November 2, 1842.
Samuel Moorhouse—since February 7, 1843.
Robert Phipps—since February 7, 1843.
John W. Shackelford—since May 2, 1843.
George A. Durborow—since July 4, 1843.
Samuel Durborow—since July 4, 1843.
David H. Macurdy—since August 3, 1843.
Abel Augustus Marple—since August 3, 1843.
Barclay Arney Smith—since August 3, 1843.
Dudley Atkins Tyng—since August 3, 1843.
Benjamin Wistar Morris—since August 3, 1843.
Ormes B. Keith—since September 5, 1843.
Thomas G. Rutherford—since January 2, 1844.
William Suddards, Jr.—since April 2, 1844.
William F. Bryant—since April 2, 1844.
Robert J. Parvin—since May 21, 1844.
Thomas Alfred Starkey—since September 3, 1844.
Breed Batcheller—since September 3, 1844.
Richard B. Schudy—since October 1, 1844.
Henry T. Spackman—since December 3, 1844.
H. H. Weld—since March 4, 1845.
Cadwalader C. Hoffman—since April 1, 1845.
Jacob Rambo—since April 1, 1845.
Archibald Beatty—since April 1, 1845.
Gideon B. Perry—since May 5, 1845.

Total, 28.

BENJAMIN DORR, President,
Standing Committee.

RICHARD NEWTON, Secretary.

Philadelphia, May 20, 1845.

The Rev. Mr. Newton laid on the table, from the same Committee, a list of churches no longer entitled, under sec. 6 of the 9th Diocesan Canon, to send a deputy to the Convention. When on motion, it was Resolved, That the said churches, viz:

Crawford County.—Trinity Church, Rockville.
Juniata County.—St. Stephen's Church, Thompsontown.
Mercer County.—St. John's Church, Mercer.
Northumberland County.—Christ Church, Milton.
Philadelphia County.—Zion Church, Spring Garden.
Venango County.—St. John's Church, Franklin.
Washington County.—St. Peter's Church, Pike Run.

Be no longer entitled to send a deputy or deputies to the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Newton, from the Committee on elections, which had previously had leave to retire, reported, that the certificates of the lay deputies were in accordance with the canons, and that the Deputies represented churches in union: which report was adopted.

The resolution offered by Mr. Alricks on last evening was then called up, when Mr. Riley moved to amend, by referring to the same Committee the list of the clergy entitled to seats. The Rev. Dr. Coleman moved to amend by referring the resolution to a special Committee, to be appointed by ballot. On motion of Col. Thomas K. Bull, the whole subject was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Conyngham offered the following Resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That rectors of ancient parishes, organized before the adoption of the present Constitution of the Church in the United States, within this Diocese, be and they are hereby respectfully solicited to give the following information, viz: "the origin of such parish," "date of erection of the first Church," "names of the pastors who officiated in succession," with other "additional facts possessing an historical interest;"

and forward the same to the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The Rev. Mr. Peck offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Vestry of each Church, at the election of lay deputies to any Diocesan Convention, to prepare duplicate certificates, one of which shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Convention, the other given to the lay deputation.

The Rev. Mr. Colton moved its indefinite postponement, which was lost. Mr. Potts moved to postpone for the purpose of offering the following as a substitute, viz:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention to cause to be printed blank certificates of the appointment of lay deputies, and annually, at least twenty days prior to the time appointed for the meeting of the Convention, to transmit by mail to the Rector of each Parish in the Diocese, two copies of such blanks, for the use of the vestries of the several congregations.

Resolved, That all elections of lay deputies shall be made at least ten days before the meeting of the Convention in each year; that the said two printed certificates shall be filled out and properly attested, that one of them shall be placed in the hands of the lay deputies to such Convention, and the other transmitted by mail (postage paid) to the Secretary of the Convention, at least five days prior to the meeting of the Convention.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, to make out a list in alphabetical order, of the names of the lay deputies so as aforesaid returned to him, and have the same ready at the opening of each Convention.

The motion of Mr. Potts was lost; and the Resolution of the Rev. Mr. Peck was adopted.

The Report of the Trustees of the Christmas Fund was read, and the Resolutions of the Trustees, attached to the same, were adopted. They are as follows:—

The Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen in the Diocese of Pennsylvania respectfully report:

That they have received but one application for aid during the past year, which being from a clergyman whose disability was not supposed to be permanent, was met by an appropriation for one year, of two hundred dollars; the applicant having submitted the proper evidence of impaired health. The aid granted to the first applicant for the benefit of the trust, is still continued; making two individuals now in receipt of four hundred dollars per annum.

There having been no need of additional funds, no collections were made on Christmas last, and the only receipts have been of ten dollars from individual donations, and $87 30, interest on money temporarily invested. Of the latter $300 has been realized to meet the appropriations to the beneficiaries, as stated by the Treasurer in his report to the Convention, leaving still subject to future demands on the fund the sum of $224 62 in the Treasurer's hands, and $1500 temporarily invested in the city of Philadelphia five per cent. stock.

There was referred to the trustees at the Annual Meeting of the Convention in May last the following resolution, offered by the Rev. Mr. Morgan.

"That hereafter the widow (during her widowhood) or children under the age of sixteen years, of every clergyman, who, at the time of his decease, was canonically connected with the Diocese, shall receive an appropriation not exceeding $250 per annum."

Though not stated in the resolution, it was understood by the trustees to have been the design of the Rev. mover to add this provision for the benefit of the widows and children of deceased clergymen, to the object originally contemplated in the creation of the trust.

The time, before the adjournment of the Convention, was too limited to admit of a report being made then, but the subject has received the careful consideration of the trustees

since; the result of which is, that while from its precarious character, they would strongly deprecate and discourage any reliance, by the clergy, on this fund, as a means of provision for their families in case of death, they are sensible that peculiar circumstances may arise, where such aid as is contemplated in the resolution referred to the Committee, may be both necessary and proper. They therefore recommend such an enlargement of the powers of the trustees as shall enable them to extend relief, at their discretion, in such cases.

To accomplish this object, they would respectfully submit for adoption, by the Convention, the following resolutions, viz—

1. That the collections in behalf of the Christmas Fund, be resumed on Christmas next, and regularly continued hereafter.

2. That in addition to the relief afforded to disabled clergy men, (which shall continue to be the primary object of the trust,) the trustees shall have power, in cases of emergency, to extend aid to the families of clergymen, who, at the time of their decease, were canonically connected with the diocese; the amount and duration of such relief to be at the discretion of the committee, (but in no case to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars to one family)—provided, that no portion of the funds now in hand shall be so applied.

By order and on behalf of the Trustees.

Wm. H. Newbold, Secretary.

Philada., May 21*st*, 1845.

The Committee on Charters asked, and obtained, leave to retire.

The Rev. Mr. Michell moved that the next annual meeting of this Convention be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the first Tuesday of May, A.D., 1846, at 5 o'clock, P. M. It was moved to amend by inserting "the third Tuesday," instead of the "first Tuesday," which amendment prevailed, and the resolution, so amended, was adopted.

It was then moved that the Convention take a recess until 11 o'clock, which was not agreed to.

Mr. Riley moved, that in voting to approve of the nomination by the clergy, of a fit and qualified clergyman for the office of Bishop, the laity vote by ballot; and that the word used in voting be "aye" or "no" respectively. The motion was carried.

The Secretary reported that the whole number of clergy on the roll was 79. That 76 were present, a majority of whom was 39. And that the number of congregations entitled to representation was 105, and the number actually represented 94, a majority being 48.

The hour of 11 having arrived, on motion of Mr. Riley, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of a Bishop for this diocese. Whereupon, the members of Convention passed some time in silent prayer, upon their knees, to God. Upon rising, the President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Spear, Ducachet, Claxton, and Morton, Tellers, to receive the votes of the clergy. The roll being called, and the ballots of the clergy being deposited, the Tellers retired. Whereupon Judge Lewis moved that a Committee be appointed to request the Tellers to return and count the votes in the presence of the Convention. The motion prevailed, and Messrs. Lewis, Rutter, and Neide, were appointed the Committee. They performed the duty assigned them, and returned with the Tellers, who counted the votes in the presence of the Convention. Having completed their duty, the Tellers reported that the

Rev. Dr. Bowman had received	37	votes,
" " Tyng	35	"
" " Morton	1	"
" Mr. Morgan	1	"
" " T. M. Clark	1	"

And that no one of the persons voted for had received the votes of a majority of the clergy present. On motion, the Convention proceeded to a second ballot, the same Tellers acting, who reported that

Rev. Dr. Bowman had received	38	votes,
" " Tyng	35	"
" " Morton	1	"

And that no one of the persons voted for had received the votes of the majority of the clergy present.

The Rev. Dr. Tyng then rose, and after some appropriate remarks, declined to permit his name to be further used in reference to the nomination for Bishop.

Col. Riley moved to postpone the election until 5 o'clock, P. M. Rev. Mr. Suddards moved to amend by postponing the election for half an hour, and taking a recess in the interim. The amendment was agreed to, and the resolution, as amended, passed, and the Convention took a recess accordingly for half an hour.

The Convention re-assembled after the recess, when the Rev. Dr. Tyng moved to proceed to a third ballot, and nominated the Rev. Thos. M. Clark. The Rev. Dr. Morton nominated the Rev. Dr. Bowman. The third ballot was taken, the same Tellers acting, who reported that the

Rev. Dr. Bowman had received	38	votes,
" Mr. Thos. M. Clark	32	"
" Dr. Alonzo Potter	3	"
" " Morton	1	"

None of the persons ballotted for having received the requisite majority of votes, the Convention, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, proceeded to a fourth ballot, the same Tellers acting, who reported, that the

Rev. Dr. Bowman had received	38	votes,
" Mr. Thos. M. Clark	33	"
" Dr. A. Potter	2	"
" " Morton	1	"

There being no nomination by the clergy the Convention adjourned. G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Thursday, May 22, A. D. 1845. 5 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met, Messrs. George Brooke, Lewis H. Maus, George Harrison, and James Field, lay deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Buchanan presented the following report from the Committee on Charters:

The Committee on Charters report, that they have examined the Articles of Association of St. Mary's Church, Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, and the Charters of Incorporation of St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne county; of Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne county; of the Church of the Nativity, Philadelphia county; and have found them to be in accordance with the Constitution and Canons. They therefore submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That St. Mary's Church, Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne county, Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne county, and the Church of the Nativity, Philadelphia county, be, and they hereby are admitted into union with this Convention.

They further report that they have examined the Charter of Incorporation of Gloria Dei Church with the amendments, and having found it to be in accordance with the Constitution and Canons; they recommend its admission with the proviso recommended by the Standing Committee. They submit the following resolution in reference to it, viz:

Resolved, That Gloria Dei Church, Southwark, be, and it is hereby admitted into union with this Convention: Provided nevertheless, that the union of said Parish with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, shall ipso facto, cease and determine, when, and so soon as, any Rector of the same shall be chosen, who shall not have had Episcopal Ordination, and shall not be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania, and of the

United States, and be recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

EDWARD Y. BUCHANAN, Chairman.

The consideration of the Resolutions attached, was, on motion of Col. Bull, postponed.

Mr. James S. Smith from the Committee on the subject of the support of the Episcopate, submitted the following resolution, which was on motion of Mr. Conyngham adopted, viz:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the salary of the future Bishop of this Diocese ought to be not less than thirty-five hundred dollars per annum, exclusive of appropriations for travelling expenses. That the whole of the interest of the Episcopal Fund be applied towards the payment of the said salary; and that until the said interest together with the interest of the Doz and Pilmore Legacies, shall amount to $3500 per annum, the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund be authorized and instructed to pay to the Bishop the collections hereafter made in aid of the Episcopal Fund, or so much thereof, as with the said interest shall amount to $3500 per annum; the said payments to be made to the Bishop quarterly. That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be requested to take measures by application to the Rectors and Vestries of the Parishes or in such other mode as they may deem expedient to increase the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the Convention resolved to proceed to a fifth ballot for the nomination of a Bishop of the Diocese; the same tellers acting as in the morning; who reported, that the Rev. Dr. Bowman had received 39 votes—the Rev. T. M. Clark, 33 votes—the Rev. Dr. A. Potter, 1 vote; and the Rev. Dr. Morton 1 vote. Whereupon the Rev. Dr. Bowman was declared to be duly nominated and appointed by a constitutional majority of the

clergy for approval by the lay order, as Bishop elect of this Diocese. On motion of Mr. Parke, the Laity proceeded to vote upon the nomination, by ballot, Messrs. Ashhurst, Lardner, Parke, and Robins acting as tellers; who, upon counting the votes, reported that

37 Churches had voted Aye.
55 " " No.
1 Church " I.
And 1 " was divided, and therefore had not voted.

There being no majority in favour of the nomination, the same was not approved.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved to adjourn; which was lost. Mr. Neide moved to adjourn until 8 o'clock, P. M. of this day, which motion prevailed, and the Convention accordingly adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

8 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met—the minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved. The Rev. Dr. Coleman moved that the Clergy proceed to another ballot for a nomination and appointment of a Bishop. The Rev. Dr. Upfold moved to postpone the election for half an hour, which was lost. The Hon. Mr. Hayes then moved to adjourn. At the call of five members, the question was taken by orders, and by ayes and noes, and was lost; as follows: the clergy only voting—

Ayes.

Rev. Joseph Adderly.	Rev. Robert Davis.
" William Adderly.	" William N. Diehl.
" Charles Henry Alden.	" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.
" Samuel Bowman, D.D.	" George G. Field.
" George Boyd, D.D.	" Milton C. Lightner.
" Edward Y. Buchanan.	" Samuel T. Lord.
" John Coleman, D.D.	" Samuel R. Meade.
" Thomas Crumpton.	" Richard U. Morgan.

Rev. Jacob B. Morss.	Rev. Joshua M. Rogers.
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.	" Peter Russell.
" George W. Natt.	" Richard Smith.
" William Herbert Norris.	" George Sheets.
" Frederick Ogilby.	" George Upfold, D.D.
" William H. Odenheimer.	" Alexander Varian.
" Willie Peck.	" Joshua Weaver.
" John B. Pradt.	" William White.
" John Rodney, Jr.	" Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall.

Nays. 34

Rev. William H. Bourns.	Rev. John H. Marsden.
" Frederick W. Beasley.	" John Gordon Maxwell.
" Charles Breck.	" Tobias H. Michell, M.D.
" Levi Bull, D.D.	" George Mintzer.
" Robert Bethell Claxton.	" Richard Newton.
" John B. Clemson.	" Edmund Neville.
" Asa S. Colton.	" William S. Perkins.
" Marcus K. Cushman.	" William Preston.
" Thomas M. Clark.	" Azariah Prior.
" William James Clark.	" Peter Van Pelt.
" George C. Drake.	" Thomas H. Quinan.
" Heman Dyer, D.D.	" Greenbury W. Ridgley.
" Donald Frazer.	" Owen Evans Shannon.
" Marmaduke Hirst.	" William W. Spear.
" Richard D. Hall.	" Nathan Stem.
" Henry T. Hiester.	" William Suddards.
" William Hilton.	" Henry Tullidge.
" Benjamin S. Huntington.	" Stephen H. Tyng, D.D.
" George Kirke.	" Christian Wiltberger, Jr.
" John J. Kerr.	" Enos Woodward.
" Freeman Lane.	41

The Rev. Thos. M. Clark withdrew his name from the list of nominees, and nominated the Rev. Dr. Tyng. The Rev. Dr. Coleman nominated the Rev. Dr. Bowman, and the Convention, on motion of Mr. Riley, proceeded to another

ballot—the same tellers acting as before—who reported that the Rev. Dr. Bowman had received 37 votes—The Rev. Dr. Tyng, 36 votes—and that there was one blank vote; and that no one of the persons voted for had received the requisite majority of votes. The Rev. Dr. Ducachet then moved to adjourn. The question being called for by orders and by ayes and noes, it was lost by the following vote—the Clergy only voting—viz:

Ayes.

Rev. Joseph Adderly.	Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" William Adderly.	" George W. Natt.
" William H. Bourns.	" William Herbert Norris.
" Samuel Bowman, D.D.	" William H. Odenheimer.
" George Boyd, D.D.	" Frederick Ogilby.
" Edward Y. Buchanan.	" Willie Peck.
" John Coleman, D.D.	" John B. Pradt.
" Thomas Crumpton.	" John Rodney, Jr.
" Robert Davis.	" Joshua M. Rogers.
" William N. Diehl.	" Peter Russell.
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	" George Sheets.
" George C. Drake.	" Richard Smith.
" Henry W. Ducachet, D.D.	" Nathan Stem.
" George G. Field.	" George Upfold, D.D.
" Milton C. Lightner,	" Alexander Varian.
" Samuel T. Lord,	" Joshua Weaver.
" Samuel R. Meade.	" William White.
" Richard U. Morgan.	" Thomas C. Yarnall.
" Jacob B. Morss.	37

Nays.

Rev. Chas. H. Alden,	Rev. John B. Clemson,
" Frederick W. Beasley,	" Asa S. Colton,
" Charles Breck,	" Marcus K. Cushman,
" Levi Bull, D.D.	" Thomas M. Clark,
" Robert Bethell Claxton,	" William James Clark,

Rev. [illegible] D.D.
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Rev. [illegible] Newton.
" [illegible] Perkins,
" [illegible],
" [illegible],
" [illegible],
" [illegible],
" [illegible] Kingsley,
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" [illegible],
" [illegible],
" [illegible],
" [illegible] D.D.
" [illegible], Jr.
" [illegible]

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The Rev. Mr. [illegible] then moved to proceed to a seventh ballot. Mr. [illegible] moved to amend by striking out "now," and inserting "to-morrow morning at [illegible] o'clock." The Rev. Dr. [illegible] moved further to amend by striking out all after the word "resolved," and inserting the following: "That a committee of six clergymen be appointed by ballot, to suggest to the Convention the name of some suitable presbyter to be nominated and appointed by the Clergy as the Bishop of this Diocese."

Mr. [illegible] moved to amend Dr. [illegible]'s amendment by adding the words "and six laymen," which was decided to be out of order. The Rev. Dr. [illegible] offered the following as a substitute for the amendment of Dr. [illegible], viz: "That six clergymen be appointed, by the general order of this Convention, to nominate a suitable person, or persons, to be balloted for as Bishop of this Diocese." This was accepted by the Rev. Dr. [illegible], as a substitute for his amendment, and the question being put by the President, the amendment was adopted, and the Resolution, as amended,* passed.

Dr. [illegible] then moved to adjourn, which was lost. The

Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved, that the Rev. Dr. Upfold and the Rev. Thomas M. Clark have leave to retire, for the purpose of suggesting six clergymen to act as said Committee. The motion prevailed, and the Rev. Dr. Upfold and Rev. Mr. Clark, having retired, returned, and suggested the following names to compose the Committee, viz:

Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan,	Rev. Alexander Varian,
Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer,	Rev. R. B. Claxton,
Rev. Wm. Suddards,	Rev. Wm. Preston.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved that the Rev. Dr. Upfold and Rev. T. M. Clark be added to the Committee, which was agreed to. Mr. J. S. Richards then moved that the Convention approve of the above committee, which was carried, and thereupon the Convention adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, *Sec'y.*

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church,
Friday, May 23, A. D. 1845, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Natt, assisted by Rev. Mr. Woodward. The minutes of last night's session were read and approved. The Rev. Messrs. Samuel C. Brinckle and Wm. Augustus White, Clergymen entitled to seats upon this day, appeared, answered to their names, and took their seats. The Secretary moved to proceed to the consideration of the Resolutions reported by the Committee on Charters yesterday, which was agreed to, and the resolutions were severally adopted. The Rev. Mr. Buchanan reported, that the Committee of eight, appointed last night, had been unable to agree upon a person to be submitted to the Clergy for nomination and appointment to the office of a Bishop, and moved that the Clergy proceed to the seventh ballot—which was agreed to. He then nominated the Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D. The Rev. Dr. Coleman nominated the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D.D., the Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., and the Rev. Dr. Bowman. The Rev.

Robt. Davis nominated the Rt. Rev. George W. Freeman, D.D. The Rev. Mr. Suddards nominated the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D. The Rev. Mr. Maxwell nominated the Rev. Dr. Tyng. The President appointed as Tellers, the Rev. Messrs. Michell, Morss, Suddards and Rodney, who reported, that

The Rev.	Alonzo Potter, D.D.,	had received	41	votes.
"	Horatio Potter, D.D.,	"	17	"
"	Henry J. Morton, D.D.,	"	14	"
"	Samuel Bowman, D.D.,	"	2	"
Rt. Rev.	G. W. Freeman, D.D.,	"	1	"
Rev.	Dr. Wainwright,	"	1	"
"	" Tyng,	"	1	"

and that one blank vote had been cast—and that, consequently, the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., had received the requisite constitutional majority of votes—and he was thereupon declared to be duly nominated and appointed by the Clergy for approval by the Lay order, as Bishop of this Diocese. The Convention then, on motion of the Hon. Joseph R. Ingersoll, took a recess for half an hour.

The Convention having re-assembled after the recess, Mr. Ingersoll moved to reconsider the resolution passed yesterday, providing for the Lay order voting by ballot upon the nomination and appointment of a Bishop by the Clergy. The reconsideration was agreed to, and the resolution was altered so as to provide that the vote on the part of the Laity should be by "ayes and noes"—and being so altered, passed. The order of the Laity then proceeded to vote by ayes and noes, at the call of the Secretary, upon the nomination and appointment made by the order of the Clergy, of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., as Bishop of this Diocese. The call being concluded, it appeared that the nomination and appointment by the Clergy, of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., to the office of Bishop of this Diocese, was unanimously approved by the Laity, as follows:

CHURCHES.	AYES.	NAYS.	VOTE.
Trinity, Pittsburg,	George R. White,		Aye.
St. Andrews, "	George Hogg,		"
	H. L. Bollman,		"
Christ, Allegheny.	Joseph G. Davis,		"
St. Paul's, Laceyville,	Henry Gamber,		"
St. Paul's, Kittaning,	Samuel S. Neale,		"
Trinity, Freeport,	J. D. Torbett,		"
	B. F. Weaver,		"
	D. McDonald,		"
St. Gabriel's, Morlattin,	George Brooke,		"
Christ, Reading,	Matthias S. Richards,		"
	Joseph L. Stichter,		"
	John S. Richards,		"
St. Thomas' Morgantown,	Levi B. Smith,		"
	David Plank,		"
	David Morgan,		"
St. Matthew's, Pike,	Edward Crandal,		"
Christ, Towanda,	A. M. Coe,		"
St. James' the Greater,	James Johnson,		"
St. Luke's, Newtown,	Dr. P. Jenks,		"
St. Andrew's, Yardleyville,	Thos. Heed,		"
Grace, Hulmeville,	George Harrison,		"
	Samuel Swift,		"
Trinity, Centreville,	William Stavely,		"
	Wm. K. Huffnagle,		"
St. Peter's, Butler,	John N. Purviance,		"
St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk,	Wm. H. Sayre,		"
	Asa Packer,		"
St. John's, Bellefonte,	George Buchanan,		"
St. John's, New London,	Frederick Grosscup,		"
	Thomas M. Charlton,		"
St. Mary's, Warwick,	Clement Brooke,		"
	Thomas K. Bull,		"
	Samuel Shafer,		"
St. Peter's, Great Valley,	Lewis G. Pearce,		"
St. John's, Pequea,	Thos. G. Henderson,		"
	William F. Baker,		"
	Amos S. Henderson,		"
St. Paul's, W. Whiteland,	Ephraim Taylor,		"
	Jonathan Jones,		"
St. Andrew's, W. Vincent,	Henry Buckwalter,		"
St. Mark's, Honeybrook,	Caleb P. Talbot,		"
	John Yocum,		"

CHURCHES.	AYES.	NAYS.	VOTE.
Holy Trinity, W. Chester,	Geo. W. Pearce,		Aye.
St. Peter's, Phœnixville,	John S. Morris,		"
St. James', Downingtown,	John McKinley,		"
	John Cornog,		"
St. Paul's, Bloomsburg,	Lewis H. Maus,		"
Christ, Danville,	Peter Baldy,		"
Christ, Meadville,	Wm. W. Dick,		"
	John McFarland,		"
	Gaylord Church,		"
St. John's, Carlisle,	Fred. Watts,		"
St. Stephen's, Harrisburg,	Hamilton Alricks,		"
	Benjamin Parke, Jr.		"
St. Paul's, Chester,	John G. Johnson,		"
	John K. Zeilin,		"
St. Martin's, L. Chichester,	Enoch Gray,		"
	Benjamin F. Johnson,		"
	Thomas Robinson,		"
St. John's, Concord,	Hill Brinton,		"
	Henry W. Brinton,		"
St. David's, Newtown,	Isaac Norton,		"
	Griffith Jones,		"
Calvary, Rockdale,	Richard S. Smith,		"
St. Paul's, Erie,	Bethuel B. Vincent,		"
St. Peter's, Waterford,	Charles C. Boyd,		"
Christ, Brownsville,	Henry Sweitzer,		"
St. Peter's, Uniontown,	James McIlvaine,		"
St. John's, Huntingdon,	Dr. Jacob Forney,		"
Christ, Hollidaysburg,	Albert J. Gauber,		"
St. Peter's, Blairsville,	William Scott,		"
St. James', Lancaster,	Alexander L. Hayes,		"
	Ellis Lewis,		"
	John L. Atlee,		"
Christ, Leacock,	Andrew Dunlap,		"
	Joel Lightner,		"
Bangor, Churchtown,	Thomas B. Jacobs,		"
All Saints, Paradise,	Redmond Conyngham,		"
	Isaac B. Burrows,		"
St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre,	Amzi Fuller,		"
	Warren J. Woodward,		"
St. James', Muncy,	Dr. Edw. D. Kittoe,		"
	B. Morris Ellis,		"
St. Mark's, Lewistown,	E. E. Locke,		"
St. Thomas', Whitemarsh,	Frederick Nash,		"

CHURCHES.	AYES.	NAYS.	VOTE.
St. James', Perkiomen,	Wm. Casselberry,		"
St. John's, Norristown,	William Wills,		"
Christ, Pottstown,	John P. Rutter,		"
Trinity, Easton,	Hopewell Hepburn,		"
	John Swift,		"
St. Matthew's, Sunbury,	John H. Purdy,		"
Christ, Philadelphia,	Francis West, M. D.,		"
	Wm. M. Meredith,		"
St. Peter's, Philadelphia,	James S. Smith,		"
	Joseph R. Ingersoll,		"
St. James', Philadelphia,	Robert Ralston,		"
	Robert Toland,		"
	Geo. M. Wharton,		"
St. Paul's, Philadelphia,	John Farr,		"
	Wm. Alexander,		"
St.Stephen's, Philadelphia,	Charles N. Bancker,		"
	William Kirkham,		"
	R. Dunglison, M. D.,		"
St.Andrew's, Philadelphia,	Cornelius Stevenson,		"
	Lambert Duy,		"
	Thomas Robins,		"
Grace, Philadelphia,	Herman Cope,		"
	John W. Claghorn,		"
	Francis Hoskins,		"
Ascension, Philadelphia,	James S. Newbold,		"
	William Martin,		"
	Charles Harvey,		"
St. Luke's, Philadelphia,	William Welsh,		"
	Mordecai D. Lewis,		"
	Edmund Wilcox,		"
Epiphany, Philadelphia,	Lewis R. Ashhurst,		"
	Thomas S. Taylor,		"
St. John's, N. L.,	John W. Kester,		"
	Henry W. Chadwick,		"
	William Letford,		"
Advent, N. L.,	Joseph S. Riley, Sen.,		"
	Jno. S. Haverstick,		"
	Edw. H. Frishmuth,		"
All Saints', Moyamensing,	James Moore,		"
	Jas. P. Landsdown,		"
	James Ridings,		"

Rev.	Jacob B. Morss.	Rev.	Joshua M. Rogers.
"	Henry J. Morton, D.D.	"	Peter Russell.
"	George W. Natt.	"	Richard Smith.
"	William Herbert Norris.	"	George Sheets.
"	Frederick Ogilby.	"	George Upfold, D.D.
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"	John Rodney, Jr.	"	Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall.

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Rev.	William H. Bourns.	Rev.	John H. Marsden.
"	Frederick W. Beasley.	"	John Gordon Maxwell.
"	Charles Breck.	"	Tobias H. Michell, M.D.
"	Levi Bull, D.D.	"	George Mintzer.
"	Robert Bethell Claxton.	"	Richard Newton.
"	John B. Clemson.	"	Edmund Neville.
"	Asa S. Colton.	"	William S. Perkins.
"	Marcus K. Cushman.	"	William Preston.
"	Thomas M. Clark.	"	Azariah Prior.
"	William James Clark.	"	Peter Van Pelt.
"	George C. Drake.	"	Thomas H. Quinan.
"	Heman Dyer, D.D.	"	Greenbury W. Ridgley.
"	Donald Frazer.	"	Owen Evans Shannon.
"	Marmaduke Hirst.	"	William W. Spear.
"	Richard D. Hall.	"	Nathan Stem.
"	Henry T. Hiester.	"	William Suddards.
"	William Hilton.	"	Henry Tullidge.
"	Benjamin S. Huntington.	"	Stephen H. Tyng, D.D.
"	George Kirke.	"	Christian Wiltberger, Jr.
"	John J. Kerr.	"	Enos Woodward.
"	Freeman Lane.		41

The Rev. Thos. M. Clark withdrew his name from the list of nominees, and nominated the Rev. Dr. Tyng. The Rev. Dr. Coleman nominated the Rev. Dr. Bowman, and the Convention, on motion of Mr. Riley, proceeded to another

ballot—the same tellers acting as before—who reported that the Rev. Dr. Bowman had received 37 votes—The Rev. Dr. Tyng, 36 votes—and that there was one blank vote; and that no one of the persons voted for had received the requisite majority of votes. The Rev. Dr. Ducachet then moved to adjourn. The question being called for by orders and by ayes and noes, it was lost by the following vote—the Clergy only voting—viz:

Ayes.

Rev. Joseph Adderly.	Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" William Adderly.	" George W. Natt.
" William H. Bourns.	" William Herbert Norris.
" Samuel Bowman, D.D.	" William H. Odenheimer.
" George Boyd, D.D.	" Frederick Ogilby.
" Edward Y. Buchanan.	" Willie Peck.
" John Coleman, D.D.	" John B. Pradt.
" Thomas Crumpton.	" John Rodney, Jr.
" Robert Davis.	" Joshua M. Rogers.
" William N. Diehl.	" Peter Russell.
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	" George Sheets.
" George C. Drake.	" Richard Smith.
" Henry W. Ducachet, D.D.	" Nathan Stem.
" George G. Field.	" George Upfold, D.D.
" Milton C. Lightner,	" Alexander Varian.
" Samuel T. Lord,	" Joshua Weaver.
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Nays.

Rev. Chas. H. Alden,	Rev. John B. Clemson,
" Frederick W. Beasley,	" Asa S. Colton,
" Charles Breck,	" Marcus K. Cushman,
" Levi Bull, D.D.	" Thomas M. Clark,
" Robert Bethell Claxton,	" William James Clark,

The Secretary of the Standing Committee laid on the table the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention Fund; audited and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, it was Resolved—that the thanks of the Convention be given to the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lee, Bishop of Delaware, for his prompt and kind services rendered to this Diocese, at the request of the Standing Committee, during the vacancy in our Episcopate.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Stem, the Committee appointed at the last Convention on the subject of altering the Constitution, in regard to the length of residence required to entitle a Clergyman to a seat in Convention, was discharged. He then offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the 4th article of the Constitution be amended by striking out, in the twelfth line, the word *twelve*, before calendar, and inserting, *nine*.

After some discussion had thereon, on motion of Mr. Neide the resolution was laid upon the table.

The Secretary having prepared and produced the proper testimonials, the Convention, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Tyng, proceeded to sign the testimonials of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., as Bishop elect of Pennsylvania.

Rev. Mr. Newton laid upon the Secretary's table the charters of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford co.; St. Peter's Church, Beaver Falls, Beaver co., and St. Paul's Church, Beaver co., as approved by the Standing Committee, and they were referred to the Committee on Charters, which thereupon presented the following report:

The Committee on Charters report, that they have examined the charters of incorporation of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford co.; St. Peter's Church, Beaver Falls; and St. Paul's Church, Beaver co., and having found them strictly in accordance with the requisitions of the Constitution and Canons, recommend their admission into union with the Convention. They therefore submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford co., St.

Peter's Church, Beaver Falls, Beaver co., and St. Paul's Church, Beaver co., be, and they hereby are, admitted into union with this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Coleman offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this Convention cannot adjourn without a distinct expression of gratitude to Him who is Head over all things to the Church, for the kindness and harmony which have pervaded its deliberations.

The Convention then adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

May 23d, 4 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The Hon. Ellis Lewis offered the following amendment to the 9th article of the Constitution, which was seconded by the Rev. Dr. Bowman, viz: "Provided, That in all elections of a Bishop in this diocese, the approval or non-approval of the lay representation, shall be ascertained by calling the names of the lay deputies, and after receiving the ayes and noes, recording the vote of each Church according to the majority of its lay deputies." Judge Lewis then moved that the proposed amendment be approved. Mr. James S. Smith moved to refer the proposition to a committee of three, to report thereon to the next annual Convention. This motion was agreed to, and Messrs. Lewis, J. S. Smith, and Meredith, were appointed the committee by the President.

On motion of J. S. Smith, Messrs. Robert Toland, Wm. H. Newbold, Moses Kempton, and John Welsh, Jr., were elected Trustees of the Christmas Fund.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Stem, his resolution relative to a change in the 4th Article of the Constitution, laid on the table this morning, was taken up for consideration. Mr. J. S. Smith then offered the following as a substitute, viz:

After the word "station;" insert,

Provided, That such clergyman shall be entitled to his seat in any stated Convention, if he has continued to reside and has been employed as aforesaid, within this State, since the period of the adjournment of the next preceding stated Convention, although twelve full calendar months may not have elapsed in the mean time.

And provided also, &c., &c., &c.

Which was agreed to, and upon the question being put of the Convention approving of the same as an amendment to the 4th Article of the Constitution, the same was approved of.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be presented to the Reverend President for his diligent and faithful attention to the duties of the chair during the session of this Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Secretary, and the Rev. the Assistant Secretary, for their diligent and faithful services at this session.

On motion of Mr. Alricks, the thanks of the Convention were tendered to the vestry of St. Andrew's Church, for the use of the Church edifice for its sittings.

Judge Ellis Lewis then proposed the following amendment to the 9th Article of the Constitution, to be inserted as a proviso, after the last sentence of the said article:

Provided, That in all elections of a Bishop in this diocese, the approval or non-approval of the lay representations shall be ascertained by calling the names of the lay deputies, who shall respectively answer aye or no, in an audible voice; the vote of each deputy shall be recorded as given, and the vote of each Church shall be recorded according to the majority of votes given by its lay deputies.

And moved that the Convention approve of the same, it having been seconded, as a proposed amendment to the Constitution—but the Convention refused to approve thereof. He then moved that the committee appointed upon the subject of his previously proposed amendment to the same article of the Constitution, be discharged—which motion was lost.

Mr. J. S. Richards, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Morgan, proposed the following for approval, as an amendment to Article 4th of the Constitution, viz: Art. 4. In ninth line strike out "a Chaplain in the Navy or Army of the United States." But the Convention refused to approve of the same.

It was, on motion of the Secretary, Resolved, That the usual number of copies of the Journal be printed.

The minutes were then, on motion of Mr. Conyngham, read, preparatory to adjournment, and approved; and the members of Convention joined in singing the last four verses of the 99th Psalm of the selection, with the doxology—when, after the benediction by the President, the Convention adjourned, *sine die.*

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1845.

Report of the Rev. Joseph Adderly, Missionary at St. Peter's Church, Blairsville, Indiana county, and Christ Church, Greensburg, Westmoreland county.

St. Peter's Church, Blairsville.

Congregation, families, 8; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, removed, 4; present number, 15; public services, on Sundays, 30; other days 3; total, 33; collections, Church objects, $12 00; Convention fund, $1 00.

Christ Church, Greensburgh.

Congregation, families, 19; baptisms, infants, 1; communicants added, 1; died or removed, 1; present number, 44; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 40; other days, 7: total, 47; collections, Society for the advancement of Christianity, $2 00; Convention fund, $2 50: Missionary and other purposes, $10 00; total, $14 50.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Adderly, Missionary at St. Paul's Church, Beaver county, and St. Peter's Church, Beaver Falls.

St. Paul's Church.

Congregation, families, 25; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants added, 1; present number 63; marriages, 2; public services, on Sundays, 43; other days, 9; total, 52; lectures, 20; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, male, 2; female, 2; total, 4; pupils, male, 16; female, 20; total, 36; collections for Church objects, $19.

St. Peter's Church, Beaver Falls.

Congregation, families, 16; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, 15; public services, on Sundays, 21; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, male, 2; female, 2; total, 4; pupils, male and female, 30; collections for Church objects, $10.

Besides the above services I have preached at the following places in the neighbourhood of St. Paul's and St. Peter's Churches, viz: Rochester 4, Bush Creek 3, Old Brighton 8, Fairview 3, Ohioville 3, Georgetown 2, other places 2, total 25.

In the fulfilment of my various duties I have travelled 1500 miles, distributed 563 pages of tracts; catechized the children from house to house, and attended two funerals at the Church in Georgetown.

Report of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen.

As by the Canon of the General Convention of 1835, every Clergyman not regularly settled in any parish or Church, shall report to the ecclesiastical authority of his Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed, I therefore, present the following view of my movements.

I continue acting in the capacity of a city missionary, in connection with the Philadelphia city mission.

During the year up to the 17th instant, I have officiated in the services of the Church on 6 occasions when I have not lectured or preached. I have administered or assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper on 7 occasions. I have baptized 69 persons. In preaching, lecturing, &c., I have officiated on 173 occasions. I have married 42 couple. I have officiated on 78 funeral occasions.

During the year up to March 12th, my pastoral visits have been 1318;—1307 of them to the sick, afflicted, &c. There have been distributed 13 Bibles, 7 New Testaments, 21 Prayer Books, and 66,805 pages of tracts, in which is included 38,169 pages of the tract, "Morning and Evening Prayers for children and youth," &c.

My monthly appointments at the Widows' Asylum, and at the Wills Hospital; also, my weekly appointments at the Magdalen Asylum, and at my house, are continued. On other occasions I officiate during the week and on the Lord's Day, as the Lord in his providence directs.

My great business is to preach the Gospel of the blessed

Redeemer. As strength and grace is given, I would continue "*to teach and preach Jesus Christ*," from sick bed to sick bed, from house to house, from place to place, from sanctuary to sanctuary.

The Lord has continued His blessing on my imperfect efforts, and to Him be all the praise forever. Amen.

Report of the Rev. Charles Henry Alden, a Chaplain in the United States Navy.

Since the meeting of the last annual Convention, I have been waiting orders from the Navy Department. I have officiated in several places, as opportunity has offered; there having been few Sundays on which I have not had occasion to exercise the duties of my clerical office.

Report of the Rev. S. Bowman, Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 13; total, 15; communicants, added, 11; died or removed, 14; present number, 121; marriages, 5; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 37; total, 141. There are two Sunday Schools, under 17 teachers, and containing about 150 children. Some of the children are catechised every Sunday. Collections, Episcopal fund, $10; for Bibles, $20; Convention fund, $17 25; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $20; Domestic Missions in the West, $104; monthly offerings for Missionary purposes, $140.

The Ladies' Benevolent Association for the relief of the poor during the inclemency of winter, continue their labours with unabated zeal and activity.

During the past year the church has been much enlarged and improved in all its interior arrangements, at an expense of about $2000. No debt has been incurred by the changes.

Our parish has this season suffered by the loss of several very estimable families, whose private affairs have induced them to seek other residences. But though lost to us, they are not lost to the Church; and the accessions with which

God has blessed us during the last few years, warrant the hope, that their places will be ere long supplied.

Report of the Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks county, and St. Mary's Church, Chester county.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, MORGANTOWN.

Baptisms, infants, 13; adults, 1; total, 14; communicants, 62; one Sunday school, teachers, 10; scholars commonly in attendance, 40; funerals not known.

Prospects encouraging.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CHESTER COUNTY.

Baptisms, children, 3; adults, 2; total, 5; communicants, 66; Sunday school scholars, 50; teachers, 8; marriages, 8.

Report of the Rev. G. Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county.

No material alteration has taken place in the state of this parish since the last report. The system of free, *i. e.* of unrented pews, still continues; and the ordinance of our Lord Jesus Christ, that his Father's house should be "a house of prayer to all people," to the poor as well as the rich, the low as well as the high, has been observed. May the Lord continue to prosper what has been undertaken in his fear, and with an eye to his glory.

The Rector has solemnized 8 marriages, baptized 16 infants, and admitted to the Holy Communion for the first time 5 persons. Communicants as reported last year, 153; present number, 158.

The public services have been, on Sundays *two*, occasionally *three*; on Wednesday evening, and on all the festivals and holy days.

The female Sunday school continues to be successfully conducted, under the care of its excellent superintendent, and a devoted band of female teachers.

The boys' school has been greatly revised and improved

under the indefatigable and zealous care of the superintendent and his assistant teachers. The number of pupils is between 60 and 70.

A primary Sunday school has been formed during the past year, by separating the youngest children from the other schools. This school is in a flourishing condition, and promises well to bear good fruit.

The collections for missionary purposes have been about $300.

Report of the Rev. S. C. Brinckle, Rector of St. James' Church, Kingsessing, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, Infants, 10; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 5; marriages, 5; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 73; other days, 2; total, 75; children catechised, times, 2; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 52; collections, Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $10 15; Missionary and other purposes, $108 95; total, $119 10.

Since the last report the ladies of the congregation have formed a Missionary Association, some of the fruits of which have already been manifested, and which it is trusted will abound yet more and more. Improvements have also been made in and about the church.

Report of the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wellsborough, Tioga county.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 180; children, 156; total, 336; baptisms, infants, 16; communicants, added, 6; died or removed, 1; present number, 47; marriages, 2; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 120; other days, 13; total, 133; children catechised in the church every Sunday; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 40; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 60; collections, Convention fund, $4 25; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $6 62; for Bibles, $12 50; Missionary and other purposes, $20; total, $40 37.

Report of the Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Rector of St. John's Church, Piquea, Chester county; Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county, and All Saints' Church, Paradise, Lancaster county.

St. John's Church, Piquea.

Congregation, families, 55; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 14; total, 15; communicants, present number, 48; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 29; other days, 6; total, 35; children catechised, 30; times, several; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 50; collections, Episcopal fund, $4; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $6; Missionary and other purposes, $56; total, $66.

Of this congregation, which is now larger and stronger than it has ever been, I have resigned the pastoral care; my resignation to take effect in September. My hope is, that the vestry will now make arrangements to have the church open on every Lord's day, and to have a minister exclusively their own. The two congregations which I retain will afford me ample employment. With the services of a faithful and zealous minister all his time, St. John's, one of the oldest, may be made one of the strongest churches in the diocese, out of the larger towns.

Christ Church, Leacock.

Families, 33; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 3; total, 4; communicants, added, 7; died, 1; removed, 4; present number, 37; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 25; other days, 5; total, 30; children catechised, 18; times, frequently; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 25; collections, Episcopal fund, $3; Advancement Society, $4; Missionary and other purposes, $20; total, $27.

As it is expected, that, after the middle of September, there will be services in this church on every Sunday, either in the morning or afternoon, it is hoped that it will then begin to recover from the effects of the many removals and deaths which have occurred in the congregation within these few

years past, and from the erection of the church in Paradise. The number of communicants continues to be large for the size of the congregation.

All Saints' Church, Paradise.

Families, and pewholders, 36; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 6; total, 7; communicants, added, 8; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 29; marriages, 2; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 23; other days, 10; total, 33; children catechised, 40; times, frequently; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 60; collections, Episcopal fund, $6; Advancement Society, 10; Missionary and other purposes, including contributions toward the liquidation of the debt of the church, 1605; total, $1621.

During the year a new and very sweet organ of proper size has been presented to the church, which is also now in possession of a good toned bell. Every thing continues to be encouraging in connexion with the parish. It continues to be greatly indebted, in every department of its concerns, to the liberality and exertions of one of its members.

Report of the Rev. William H. Bourns, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburgh, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, about 45; individuals, about 150; baptisms, infants, 12; communicants, died or removed, 6; present number, 54; marriages, 3; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 87; other days, 66; total, 153; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 38; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 36; male and female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 71; total, schools, 3; teachers, 20; pupils, 145; Bible class, 1; members, 15; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $483.

This parish formed a part of that of All Saints, Lower Dublin, until January, 1844. From that period until July, divine service was held here morning and afternoon, on every Sunday but one, by various clergymen. The above statement of parochial services covers only ten months, as the present

Rector commenced his ministrations on the first Sunday in July last; and he is happy in being able to report that by the good providence of God, the affairs of the parish are in a prosperous condition. Through the liberality of the parishioners, and some others, the beauty and convenience of the church have been much advanced by a new set of solar lamps; a paten for the communion; an altar cloth, large Bible, &c. The expense of procuring these, together with the several amounts contributed for other objects, are evidences of a healthy state of feeling, as regards a devotion of worldly goods to the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ. Divine worship is held on the mornings of the holy days of the church; and weekly on Wednesday evening. Divine service was held twice in the Poor House, near Holmesburgh; once in Bustleton, three miles distant; and twice in a school house near the Pennipac Print Works. In that school house, about a mile from Holmesburgh, a Sunday school was commenced by members of this parish in July last. That and two schools of the same kind, for many years held in the vestry room, are well attended and efficiently conducted.

Report of the Rev. F. W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 10; total, 14; communicants, 5; added, 8; marriages, 7; public services, on Sundays, 104; and during the greater part of the year on every Thursday evening at the chapel at Oak Grove. Sunday schools, 2; the children are publicly catechised once every month at All Saints' Church, and also a number of times at the chapel at Oak Grove. And during the present year they were assembled to repeat the catechism twice at a school house. Collections at All Saints' Church for Sunday school, $6 32; for missions at the same church, 6 10; at Oak Grove chapel, for the Pittsburg sufferers, 21 10; for Convention fund at All Saints, 3.

There have also been monthly collections at the chapel for defraying the current expenses of the same.

A Missionary Society has lately been formed, under circumstances which promise yearly contributions to an amount creditable to the parish.

During the year we have erected a very neat parsonage on the same ground on which the chapel is built. More than six hundred dollars towards funds for its erection was obtained by a fair held last summer.

We have received from a lady in Philadelphia a large and beautiful Gothic font; and from several ladies a very handsome Gothic Bishop's chair. The attendance at both churches during the year has been encouraging.

Report of the Rev. John Coleman, Rector of the Parish of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 190; adults, 630; children, 350; total, 980; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 39; total, 40; communicants, last reported, 413; added, 12; died, 4; removed, 24; present number, 397; marriages, 28; burials, 35; public services, on Sundays, 115; other days, 42; total, 157; children catechised, 12 times, "openly in the church;" Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 19; scholars, 162; female, 2; teachers, 31; scholars, 281; total, schools, 4; teachers, 50; scholars, 443; collections, Convention fund, $19 12; Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, 61 35; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 50; Episcopal Female Prayer Book Society, 20; Episcopal Female Tract Society, 26 50; Missionary and other purposes, 769 39; total, 946 36.

Report of the Rev. J. C. Clay, Rector of Gloria Dei Church, in Southwark, Philadelphia co.

Congregation, families, 137; adults, 290; children, not ascertained; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 42; total, 48; confirmed, 10; communicants, added, 19; died or removed, 9; present number, 152; marriages, 42; burials, 17; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 170; total 274; children catechised monthly, except the three summer months; Sun-

day schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 60; female, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 80; total, schools, 2; teachers, 18; pupils, 140; collections, Society for Advancement of Christianity, $15; missionary and other purposes, 113 30; total, 128 30.

The Church has become too small for the congregation, every sitting being rented, and many applicants for pews sent away for want of room to accommodate them. We apply at this Convention for admission into union with the Church in this diocese, and hope no longer to present the spectacle of "a Church without a Bishop." We have, indeed, as Episcopalians, had for some years the services of the Bishop of Pennsylvania. But it has been as an act of courtesy on his part, and not as what we had a right to claim as a portion of his diocese.

Report of the Rev. Thomas M. Clark, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, in Philadelphia.

Congregation, total, 1130; baptisms, adults, 5; infants 29; total, 34; confirmed, 22; communicants, present number, 550; marriages, 13; burials, 40; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 40; total, 144; children catechised, 300; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 21; pupils, 180; female, 2; teachers, 21; pupils, 150; infant school, 1 teacher; pupils, 100; total, schools, 5; teachers, 43; pupils, 430; bible classes, 3; members, 90; collections, $3000.

Report of the Rev. W. J. Clark, Rector of Bangor Church, in Churchtown, Lancaster co.

Baptisms, infants, 8; communicants, 48; marriages, 3; burials, 7; public services, Sundays, 113; other days, 50; total, 164; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 30; collection for Convention fund, last year, (not reported) $8; do. do. this year, 5; Episcopal fund, 4 00; missions and other objects, 26 50.

Report of the Rev. John B. Colhoun, Rector of St. James' Church, Muncy, Lycoming co.

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 15; total, 19; communicants added, 16; died or removed, 6; suspended, 1; present number, 108; marriages, 1; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 90; other days, 58; total, 148; preached 112 times; communion, in public, 8 times; in private, to sick and infirm members of the parish, 7 times; Sunday schools, male, 1; female, 1; total, 2; teachers, male, 4; female, 11; total, 15; pupils, male, 36; female, 45; total, 81; bible and catechetical class of adults, 1; pupils about 25; collections, Convention fund, $4 40; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 6 91; Sunday school, 27 55; missionary and other purposes, including communion money and weekly collections, about 41 75; total, 80 61.

I have officiated regularly at Hughesburg, in the afternoon, and at Ellis school-house, nine miles from Muncy, in the evening, on alternate Sundays. I commenced holding regular services at this latter place about November, 1844, and my success has been highly flattering. The people, unasked by me, have contributed handsomely to my support, and are anxious to erect for themselves, at their own expense, a small chapel, for public worship, as soon as they can feel assured that the services of the clergyman who succeeds me at Muncy, will be secured to them. I can see nothing in the way of organizing a congregation here, there being already upwards of twenty persons who are either communicants or looking forward to confirmation, in the neighbourhood. On the 15th of May I resigned the charge of the parish and returned to Philadelphia.

Report of the Rev. R. B. Claxton, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne co.

Congregation, families, 78; adults, 236; children, 176; total, 412; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 11; total, 12; communicants, added, 9; died or removed, 7; present number,

89; marriages, 8; burials, 16; children catechised, about 100; times, 3; Sunday schools, male, teachers, 7; pupils, 86; female, teachers, 18; pupils, 148; total, teachers, 25; pupils, 234; bible class, members, 32; collections, Convention fund, $7; missionary purposes, 117 81; Sunday school, 64 08; Theological Seminary of Virginia, 30 00; sundries, 52 73; total, 271 62.

Report of the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

The condition, improvement, and prospects of this parish, are much the same as at the last report.

Families, 45; total attendance about 225; baptisms, infants, 3; marriages, 5; burials, 2; communicants, added, 7; removed, 6; total, 43; service twice on Sunday, once in the week and on the principal holidays; Sunday schools of their usual size and operation; children catechised often; collections, domestic missions, $54 40; foreign, 24 12½; Society for Advancement of Christianity, 20 00; Sunday schools, 13 53; Convention fund, 4 25; Episcopal fund, 4 25; total 120 55½.

Report of the Rev. Thos. Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Allegheny, Allegheny co., Pa.

Baptisms, 1 adult; children, 23; communicants, added, 10; died or removed, 7; present number, 62; marriages, 1; burials, 5; public services, Sundays, 102; other days, 24; 1 Sunday school; male teachers, 5; female teachers, 5; male scholars, 30; female scholars, 40; collections, Advancement Society, $11; Convention fund, 8.

Report of the Rev. Savington W. Crampton, Rector of St. Peter's Church Union town, Fayette co.

Communicants, 31; public services, on Sundays, 24; other days, 14; total, 38; Sunday school, teachers, male, 5; female, 6; total, 11; scholars, male, 15; female, 20; total, 35; collection, Convention fund, $5.

GRACE CHURCH, MANALEN, FAYETTE CO.

Communicants, 8; collection, Convention fund, $3 65.

The subscriber took charge of the above churches, as pastor, on the 1st day of January last, since which time he has been employed in the public services of the sanctuary, and in becoming personally known to the members of his flocks. No change worthy of notice has been observed. He finds abundance of materials, and hopes, by the blessing of God, that fresh accessions will be made to the present little band of disciples. He cannot anticipate a rapid progress. The Church is in an infant state and is surrounded by strong opposition. We submit all into the hands of God, and pray that He will prosper the work before us, and make her "shine forth fair as the sun, clear as the moon, and terrible as an army with banners."

Report of the Rev. Asa S. Colton, Rector of Christ Church, Towanda, Bradford co.

My services in this parish commenced about the first of January. My report, therefore, is only for the time since that period.

The number of families is about 25; adults, 60; children, 40; communicants, 24; 1 infant baptized; services, twice each Lord's day, with occasional services during lent. I have catechised the children in church 6 times; collections, for foreign missions, $5 50; domestic, 3 20; Convention fund, 4 07; total, 12 27; beside those for ordinary parish purposes.

Report of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Philad.

Congregation, families, 220; baptisms, adults, 8; infants, 31; total, 39; confirmed, 14; communicants, added, 33; died or removed, 13; present number, 400; marriages, 7; burials, 27; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 158; total, 262; children catechized, 300, on the last Sunday afternoon of each month; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 70; female, 2; teachers, 32; pupils, 200; total,

schools, 3; teachers, 42; pupils, 270; bible classes, 2; members, 20; collections, Episcopal fund, $50; Society for Advancement of Christianity, 271 50; missionary and other purposes, 2736 01; total, 3057 51. The above contributions were appropriated as follows, viz: Convention and Episcopal funds, 175; Sunday schools, 262 24; General Theological Seminary, 100; aiding poor churches, 411; prayer book societies, 173 90; parish school, 50; distribution of bibles, 50; missions, 736 03; for relief of the poor, 1099 34; total, 3057 51.

Report of the Rev. Thomas J. Davis, Episcopal City Missionary, Philad.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 20; total, 21; marriages, 5; burials, 8; public services, preached 34 times; officiated in divine service, either alone or assisting, 43 times; present but not officiating, 82 times; assisted in the celebration of the holy communion 14 times.

Report of the Rev. H. Dyer, Rector of St. Paul's Church, in Laceyville, Allegheny co.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 45; children, 30; total, 75; baptisms, infants, 12; communicants, present number, 20; marriages, 5; collections, Convention fund, $6 45.

Report of the Rev. Charles M. Dupuy.

Since the adjournment of the Convention, I have officiated regularly, on Sundays, and have frequently assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion.

At the request of the Rev. Mr. Sheets, I have preached statedly at Frankford, on Sunday mornings, for a period of six months—a part of that time I have alternately preached at Frankford and Oakville. At the latter place I administered the Holy Communion to five persons, and baptized two children. In both these places it is proposed to erect Churches.

Oakville is the residence of N. Nathans, Esq., situate near the junction of Broad street and the Germantown railroad.

Report of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, late Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, from 21st May, 1844, to the last Sunday in June, 1844.

Public services on Sundays 12, on other days 9; baptisms, infants, 2; funerals, 3; communicants, the same as reported to the Convention of 1844; Sunday school children, the same as reported to the Convention of 1844. In the latter end of June, the late Rector declined preaching, on account of ill health.

The subscriber has officiated in St.Matthew's Church,Francisville, since October, 1844. Since that time, six infants have been baptized by him; marriage, 1; burials, three; divine service, twice every Sunday; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 22; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 28.

GEORGE EMLEN HARE.

Report of the Rev. Geo. C. Drake, for the Parishes of St. James' Church, in the Borough of Schuylkill Haven; and of St. Paul's, in the Borough of Minersville; both in the County of Schuylkill, for the year ending May 1, 1845.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Congregation, families, 36; adults 87; children, 60; total, 147; baptisms, infants, 6; received into the congregation, 1; communicants, added, 4; died, 1; present number, 34; marriages, 3; at Pottsville, 1; total, 4; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 59; other days, 10; total, 69; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, male, 3; female, 2; pupils, male, 60; female, 40; total, teachers, 5; pupils, 100; Bible class, 1; members, 19; collections, special, Convention, $5 10; Soc. Adv. 8 86; for Bibles, 10 36; Missionary and other purposes, 59 59; total, 83 91.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Congregation, families, 18; baptisms, infants, 12; burials, 1; public services on Sundays, 40; collection for parish purposes, $20 00.

Divine service has been celebrated in St. James' Church,

on Ascension day, 1844, Thanksgiving, the Nativity, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, and Ascension, 1845. The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday of every month; unless a festival occurred immediately before or after. The communicants before numbered, embrace those of both parishes; the communion not having been administered at Minersville. The children attached to the Sunday schools at S. Haven, Lewellyn and Costerville, were convened on the 4th of July, and addressed by the Rector, as were those of the first named school on Christmas. The ladies of St. James' parish held another "bee," with by no means a discouraging result. To them also belongs the credit of an effort to provide the Church with window blinds; a measure now on the eve of accomplishment. The corporation of St. James, as lately ascertained, is in debt, to an amount exceeding $1500.

The Rector has administered the Holy Communion twice, in private, to the sick; once near Minersville; and once in St. James' parish, Muncy; and twice publicly, out of his parishes; once at Mauch Chunk, in St. Mark's congregation, and once at Muncy, in St. James' Church. He has preached, out of his parishes, eight times.

Report of the Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, for the Parish of St. Thomas' Church, in Whitemarsh, in the County of Montgomery, for the year ending May 1, 1845.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 75: children, 70; total, 145; baptisms, infants, 1; confirmed, 9; communicants, added, 9; present number, 21; marriages, 1; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 42; other days, 3; total, 45; children catechised, frequently; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 6; pupils, 55; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $14; Conv. Fund, 2 50.

Besides performing the above mentioned duties in my parish, I have conducted Divine service and preached, frequently, in other parishes; administered the Communion to

the sick and dying; taught an adult Bible class during the year, &c. &c.

The Right Rev. Bishop Gadsden, of South Carolina, at the request of Bishop Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, administered the rite of confirmation to nine persons, in St. Thomas' Church, on Sunday, October 13, 1844.

Report of Rev. Robert Davis.

During the last year, my opportunities for performing divine service or preaching have been fewer, and my ability to officiate less than it was during the preceding.

Report of the Rev. Geo. G. Field, Parish of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, for the year ending May 1, 1845.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 22; children, 20; total, 42; baptisms, infants, 5; total, 5; communicants, added, 6; removed, 1; present number, 8; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 83; other days, 14; total, 97; children catechised, 10; times, monthly; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 12; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $2 00; missionary and other purposes, 10 75; total, 12 75.

Since the last report, a Church edifice has been commenced, and such progress made, that it is confidently expected that it will be completed in the course of the summer. In carrying forward this undertaking, the congregation have been most generally assisted by the friends of the Church in Philadelphia. To the active sympathy, long-continued and persevering exertions of the Ladies' Missionary Association of Christ Church, they are peculiarly indebted. It is devoutly hoped, that with the blessing of God, those who have done so much to revive the prosperity of this parish, will before long receive some substantial evidences of the fruits of their exertions, in the permanent establishment of the ministrations of our Apostolic Church, and the growth of the congregation as well in numbers, as in faith and godliness.

Report of the Rev. William Hilton, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Wayne township, St. Paul's Church, Kittaning, and Trinity Church, Freeport, Armstrong county.

St. Michael's Church.

Baptisms, infants, 13; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 1; present number, 43; children catechised, 24; times, 2; public services, on Sundays, 20; other days 2; total, 22.

I visit this parish but once in five weeks, consequently its progress is not rapid. The attendance is generally very good, and the rector is not without hope, that his labours are attended with some success in building up the Redeemer's kingdom.

St. Paul's Church.

Baptisms, infants, 14; total, 14; communicants, added, 4; died or removed, 4; present number, 32; marriages 1; public services, on Sundays, 42; other days, 8; total, 50; children catechised, 25; times, 4; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 55; Bible classes, 1; members, 15; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $4 00; missionary and other purposes, 243 00; total, 247 00.

In addition to our regular Sunday services, we have a weekly lecture, which is very well attended; and a considerable interest has been manifested during the winter in those things which pertain to the soul's salvation.

Our Bible Class and Sunday School have been very well attended; and the instruction imparted to the young it is hoped, will, through the Divine blessing be the means of training them in the way they should go.

Trinity Church.

Baptisms, infants, 6; total, 6; communicants, added, 4; died or removed, 6; present number, 52; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 45; other days, 12; total, 57; children

catechised, 26; times, 4; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 65; collections for various purposes, $45.

The prospects of this congregation are still encouraging, and only for a debt of five or six hundred dollars on our building, would soon be in a flourishing condition. A spirit of inquiry in reference to the Church has been awakened here, to satisfy which, the Rector has been preaching a course of sermons on that subject, during the winter, which through the Divine blessing he hopes will be attended with very good results.

Report of the Rev. B. S. Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, Concord, and Calvary Church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

St. John's Church, Concord.

Congregation, families, 42; adults, 100; children, 40; total, 140; baptisms, adults, 3; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 2; returned, 4; removed, 3; present number, 55; marriages, 2; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 50; other days, 20; total, 70; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 50; collections, Convention fund, $3 00; missionary and other purposes, 68 47; total, 71 47.

The new Church was consecrated on the 27th of October, by the Right Rev. Bishop Lee, who confirmed on the same occasion 15 persons, all of whom have been added to the communion. The debt on the Church at the time of the consecration, was $236, for which I have received 70, leaving 166 to be collected.

Calvary Church, Rockdale.

Congregation, families, 45; adults, 100; children 70; total, 170; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 5; total, 6; communicants, added, 3; returned, 4; died, 1; removed, 5; present number, 41; marriage, 1; burial, 4; public services, on Sundays, 49; other days, 8; total, 57; children catechised, in the Sunday school, openly in the Church, once; Sunday school, teachers, 8; pupils, 70; collections, Convention fund, $5 00; missionary and other purposes, 47 08; total, 52 08.

This parish has still to contend with the many difficulties of which I have spoken in former reports.

Report of the Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of St. John's Church, York, York county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 87; children, 17; total, 105; baptisms, infants, 5; total, 5; communicants, added, 8; died or removed, 2; present number, 28; marriages, 1; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 66; other days, including holydays and saint days, 62; total, 128; children catechised, 20; 3 times openly in the Church; every Sunday in the Sunday school; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 22; female 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 36; total, schools, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 58; collections, Convention fund, $3 25; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 5 00; missionary and other purposes, 36 75; total, 45 00.

The subscriber took charge of this parish on the 1st Sept., 1844. Owing to various causes, and particularly to its having been without a *resident* minister for several years, it has fallen into a very languid and low condition. It is to be hoped, however, that with God's blessing it may again be revived into a prosperous state. The Holy Eucharist is administered once a month, and also upon the great festivals. The holy days and saints days are all observed by the public celebration of divine service in the church.

Report of the Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, Chester county.

Congregations, families, 6; adults, 60; children, 15; total, 75; communicants, added, 3; present number, 10; marriages, 1; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays 54; Sunday schools, 1; children 15; collections, Convention fund, $5; other purposes, $100; total, $105.

The Church yard has been enclosed by a new pale fence. Nothing else worthy of remark has taken place since my last report.

Report of the Rev. J. J. Kerr, Rector of Advent Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 84; adults, 209; children, 165; total, 458; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 9; total, 10; confirmed, 11; communicants, added, 28; died or removed, 12; present number, 116; marriages, 8; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays 106; other days, 48; total, 154; children catechised, 85; times, 12; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 80; female 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 70; total, schools, 2; teachers, 19; pupils, 150; bible classes, 2; members, 26; collections, Convention fund, $15 94; missionary and other purposes, $50 34; total, $66 28.

Our church edifice, the corner-stone of which was laid immediately before the meeting of the last annual Convention, is now nearly completed, and, when completed, will be, perhaps, one of the finest specimens of Gothic Architecture in the country. Since last December, we have worshiped in the basement, which is admirably adapted for lectures and Sunday schools, and have had much cause to thank God, and humbly hope that while we improve outwardly, the work of vital godliness has not been altogether neglected.

The Rector still continues to catechise the children of the Sunday schools once a month, and to render occasional assistance to the Bible classes.

Report of the Rev. Milton C. Lightner, Rector of Christ Church, Danville, Columbia county.

Baptism, infants, 15; communicants, added, 7; died or removed, 8; present number, 68; marriages, 3; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 128; other days, 50; total, 178; children catechised, about 60; times, weekly; collections, Society for the advancement of Christianity, $10 76; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 8 83; Female Prayer Book Society, 5; Convention fund, 4 91; other purposes, about 200; total, 229 50.

Since my last report a new roof has been placed upon our Church. An excellent organ has also been placed in the gallery, at an expense of $675; for which we are indebted to Peter Baldy, Esq., our indebtedness to whom for former instances of liberality was acknowledged in my last report.

As the report of our Sunday school appeared alone it will be proper here to state, that the arrangements of our Sunday school have been externally modified. All of the children who can read, now form a single class, numbering at present 63, under my own instruction regularly twice on every Sunday. The rest of the children are divided into classes under the tuition of zealous and faithful teachers. The number of children in this department of the school is about 50.

Report of the Rev. Edwin A. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swedes) Church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county, and late Rector of St. James' Church, Muncy, Lycoming county.

Christ (Swedes) Church.

The present Rector assumed the charge of this parish on the first day of July, 1844. Baptisms, adults, 5; children, 11; total, 16; communicants, added, 19; died or removed, 4; present number, 49; marriages, 6; burials, 10; services in the Church on every Sunday morning; and in Lower Merion on every second Sunday in the afternoon; collections, Prayer Book and Tract Society, $5 91; Society for the Advancement Christianity, 5 30; Sunday School purposes, 7 14; other purposes, 5 81; total 24 16.

The cause is now in a flourishing condition.

St. James', Muncy.

Baptisms, infants, 6; burials, 1; communicants, added, 3; present number, (that is on the first of July 1844,) 99.

During my connection with the parish in Muncy, from the Spring of 1840, to the 1st of July 1844, 60 persons were confirmed; 62 were added to the communion; and 62 were bap-

tized, adults, 22; and children 40. The church was also improved at a cost of about $500; and an organ was procured at a cost of about 500; and a bell at the sum of 150.

Report of the Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg, Columbia County, and Missionary.

Having commenced services in this parish on the 16th of February last, I have not as yet fully ascertained the number of families, nor of the adults and children in each family, but find them reported in May last as being, "Families, 57; adults, 184; children, 87; total, 271;" communicants, as near as can be ascertained, about 87; burials, 1; public service, on Sundays, 23; week-days, 12; total, 35; children catechised in Sunday school on an average, 42; times, 9; Sunday school male teachers, 6; female teachers, 14; total, 20; male scholars, 46; female scholars, 43; total, 89; collections, Convention Fund, $5 75; Foreign Missions, 5 00; total, $10 75.

This parish is still in debt for their church edifice to the amount of some $200 00, but are in hopes of liquidating the debt before long. They have paid this spring $135 00, and have some more subscribed. These demands at home must account for the limited number and amount of contributions for diocesan and other purposes.

PHILIPSBURG, CENTRE COUNTY, PA.

Families, about 20; baptisms, children, 6; communicants, died, 1; removed, 5; withdrawn, 1; added, 7; present number, 20; burials, 4; Sunday school, male teachers, 2; female teachers, 5; total, 7; scholars, not recollected; children catechised in Sunday school; collections, African Mission $4 50; Special Convention Fund, 10 04; Female Tract Society, 5 25; Domestic Missions, 3 00; total, 22 75.

My services for the past year have been less than usual, owing to a lingering bodily infirmity, which compelled me, under the advice of Dr. Wm. Horner, of Philadelphia, to greatly diminish my services, and give up all travelling for a time, and which still continues to diminish my strength and

capabilities of enduring much exertion or fatigue. I still endeavour to do what I can, and trust my labours are in some measure useful and blessed.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Leaf, Rector of Christ Church, in Pottstown, in the county of Montgomery.

Congregation, families, 22; adults, 150; children, 40; total, 190; baptisms, adults, 2; 1 child; total, 3; communicants, added, 4; removed, 1; present number, 35; marriages, 5; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 70; other days, 20; total, 90; children catechised, 15; monthly, in the church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 33; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 50; total, schools, 2; teachers, 16; pupils, 83; bible class, 1; members, 7; collections for missionary purposes, $20; toward the erection of a new church, 800; total, 820.

St. Gabriel's Church, Douglassville, Berks Co.

Congregation, families, 45; adults, 200; children, 35; total, 235; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 8; total, 9; communicants, added, 2; present number, 40; marriages, 3; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 36; other days, 6; total, 42; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 40; total, schools, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 65; collections, for missionary purposes, $7.

This congregation having been for some time without a rector, was much depressed and its members scattered. The attendance is now good and our prospects encouraging.

Report of the Rev. H. J. Morton, D.D., Rector of St. James' Church, Philad.

Congregation, families, 175; adults, 700; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 36; total, 42; confirmed, 20; communicants, added, 28; died or removed, 5; present number, about 370; marriages, 11; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 106; total, 210; children catechised, occasionally during Lent; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 6; pupils,

30; female, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 95; total, schools, 4; teachers, 18; pupils, 125; bible classes, 2; members, 23; collections, Episcopal fund, $100; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 150; missionary and other purposes, $3062 32; total, 3312 32.

The parish school connected with this church, has been enlarged by the addition of a male English classical department. It now numbers 6 teachers, and upwards of 130 scholars, and has more than answered the expectations of those most sanguine of its success.

Report of the Rev. R. U. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks co.

Congregation, families, 57; adults, 163; children, 112; total, 275; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 10; total, 12; communicants, added, 10; died, 2; removed, 5; separated from the Church, 2; present number, 100; marriages, 4; burials, 4 adults, and 4 infants; total, 8; public services, on Sundays, 105; other days, 70; total, 175; children catechised in the Sunday school, by the Rector; Sunday schools, 2; male teachers, 12; female teachers, 15; male pupils, 77; female pupils, 87; total, teachers, 27; pupils, 164; collections, Convention fund, $13 59; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 10; Board of Missions, 49; other purposes connected with the parish, 446; total, 518 59.

Report of the Rev. Edwin Mendenhall, Missionary at St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne co.

Congregations, families, 15; communicants, 15. There is a flourishing Sunday school of from 25 to 30 scholars; teachers, female, 4; male, 4; funerals, 3. We have received from some friends in Philadelphia, a Sunday school library of about 150 volumes; this circumstance has given a new impulse to its operations. There is connected with the congregation a ladies' sewing society of 18 members. The vestry have purchased a house and lot in the village. The house is designed for a parsonage, and they intend to erect a church edifice on

the lot. I took charge of the parish about the 1st of Nov. 1844. Public services every Sunday morning, and occasionally in the afternoon somewhere in the surrounding neighbourhood.

Report of the Rev. Geo. Mintzer, Rector of St. James' Church, Perkiomen, Lower Providence township, Montgomery co.

Congregation, families, 52; baptized 1 infant; communicants, added, 2; died, 1; present number, 80; marriages, 7; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 24; children catechised, 18; times, 3; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 50; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 40; total, schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 90; collections, Convention fund, $4 20; missionary and other purposes, 26; total, 30 20.

Report of the Rev. Robert M. Mitcheson.

During the past year I have discharged the duties of an assistant to the rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia. I have also, during the same period, officiated for my brethren elsewhere 34 times.

Report of the Rev. John H. Marsden, Rector of Christ Church, in Huntington township, Adams co.

Baptisms, 1 adult; 1 infant; total, 2; communicants, died or removed, 1; present number, about 30; marriages, 2; public services, every Lord's day; collection, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $1 50.

Report of the Rev. Henry Major, Rector of All Saint's Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, infants, 23; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 46; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 51; 1 bible class; members, 11.

The present rector has not been connected with the parish sufficiently long to enable him to render an accurate and full report of its numbers and condition. In the report for 1843, the number of families is stated as 60, and the number of

communicants, 56. What changes have since taken place he has not yet ascertained. He is happy to be able to state that a new church edifice is about to be erected for the use of the parish. A lot near the present church, together with several thousand dollars, has already been secured for the purpose.

Report of the Rev. Tobias Harpur Michell, M.D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie co.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 58; children, 32; total, 110; baptisms, infants, 5; communicants, died, 2; present number, 20; marriages, 1; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 4; total, 56; children catechised, weekly in the summer months, from May to November, when a bible and liturgical class assembles in the church on Thursday evening.

Report of the Rev. J. Gordon Maxwell, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Kensington.

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 50; total, 54; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 34; died or removed, 12; present number, 156; marriages, 8; burials, 20; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 52; total, 156; children catechised, 287; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 100; female, 1; teachers, 20; pupils, 155; total, schools, 2; teachers, 30; pupils, 287; bible classes, 2; members, 32; collections, missionary and other purposes, $230.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Herbert Norris, Rector of St. John's Church, Cumberland co.

Baptisms, 7; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 4; fallen into schism, 8; present number, 51; burials, 5; public services, twice on each Sunday, and once on every other holy day; children catechised, monthly in the church; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 5; scholars, about 30; collections, Advancement Society, $27; Convention fund, 10; missionary and other purposes, 127 83; total, 164 83.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Neville, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 250; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 16; total, 20; confirmed, 16; communicants, added, 50; died or removed, 20; present number, 282; marriages, 15; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 97; total, 201; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 18; pupils, 161; female, 2; teachers, 16; pupils, 200; total, schools, 4; teachers, 34; pupils, 361; Bible classes, 3; members, 60; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $58 86; missionary and other purposes, 4720 49; total, $4779 35.

This parish was never in a more prosperous and peaceful condition than it is at present. It has extinguished, during the past year, $3,390 of its Church debt, besides liberally contributing to general objects. The great desire of the Vestry is to release the Church from all embarrassment, not only for her own sake, but in order that, standing in no need of assistance herself, she may be able to render more aid to others.

Report of the Rev. Samuel P. Nash, Rector of Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne County, Pa.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 62; children, 65; total, 127; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 5; total, 8; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 5; present number, 36; marriages, 2; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 106; other days, 7; total, 113; children catechised, 18; times, 7; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 41; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 28; total, schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 69; Bible classes, 1; members, 8; collections, missionary purposes, $3 00.

Report of the Rev. Geo. W. Natt, Rector of St. John's Church, Belle Fonte, Centre county.

Congregation, families, added, 3; adults, 71; children, 73; total, 149; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 9; total, 11; commu-

nicants, added, 5; removed, 2; present number, 26; marriages, 1; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 93; other days, 49; total, 142; children catechised, 42; times, 4; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, male, 2; female, 7; total, 9; scholars, male, 12; female, 30; total, 42; collections, Episcopal Fund, $5 00; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 9 90; missionary and other purposes, 58 91; total, 73 81. During the past year, the attendance upon the services of the Church has increased, and other signs of encouragement have strengthened the hope that God, even our own God, will give us his blessing.

Report of the Rev. W. H. Odenheimer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 200; baptisms, adults, 13; infants, 53; total, 66; communicants, added 16; died or removed, 6; present number, 329; marriages, 18; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 108; on holy days, 94; on other days, 586; total, 788; the Holy Communion celebrated, 16 times; children catechized, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 92; female, 1; teachers, 30; pupils, 146; infant school, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 91; Bible class, 1; teachers, 1; pupils, 14; catechetical class, 1; teacher, 1; pupils, 15; day school, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 112; adult school, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 48; total, schools, 7; teachers, 63; pupils, 518; collections, Episcopal Fund, $50; Convention Fund, 100; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 585; General Theological Seminary, 200; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 100; Female Prayer Book Society, 80; for the sufferers by the fire at Pittsburg, 487 18; missionary and other purposes, 2902 57; total, 4504 75; amount contributed at the offertory in the Holy Communion, 727 21; distributed in charities specially parochial, 1227 34; the full amount expended in charities, 5004 88.

The daily morning and evening prayer has, through the divine blessing, been celebrated, without interruption, during

the past year; with the addition of the ante-communion service on all Holy days, and a lecture on the Saints' days.

The *Psalter* has thus, in the language of the Prayer Book, been "read through once every month:" The *Old Testament*, "the most part thereof every year once, as in the Calendar is appointed:" The *New Testament* historical books twice, and the Epistles three times, during the year. An argument for the daily prayer, which should possess great weight with all who reverence the Bible, and are zealous to maintain the Scriptural character of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Report of the Rev. W. Peck, Rector of St. David's (Radnor) Church, Newtown, Delaware County.

Baptisms, adults, 2; children, 10; total, 12; communicants, added, 5; died, 2; removed, 13; present number, 60; marriages, 3; burials, 11; public services, on Sundays, 70; other days, as opportunities allow; Sunday schools, 2; male teachers, 4; female teachers, 2; pupils, 50; collections, Convention Fund, $5 00; other purposes, 20 00; total, 25 00.

At the present, the effects of deaths and removals are sensibly felt in this parish; still, the spirit of piety continues to produce the good fruits of kindness and constancy.

Report of the Rev. William Preston, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg.

Congregation, families, 90; parts of do., 40; total, 130; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 20; total, 22; communicants, added, 33; died or removed, 15; present number, 168; marriages, 7; burials, 9; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 28; pupils, 329, now in attendance; adult Bible classes, 2; members, 40; collections, for missionary and other benevolent objects, not within the parish, $300.

This Church has suffered severely by the late fire. About one fourth of our families have been burnt out, and others have been much impoverished. The ultimate effect of this distressing visitation, is known only to that kind Providence

"which ordereth all things in heaven and on earth," and doeth all things well. Embarrassed, however, as this Church has been, and now is, with a large debt, the late calamity is felt by us as peculiarly severe. In every other particular—in spiritual prosperity—in the increase of numbers—the attendance upon our services—one large and interesting Bible class—one numerous, and still increasing and improving Sunday school—our Church was never in a more prosperous and promising condition.

Report of the Rev. John B. Pradt, late Rector of the Church of the Resurrection, Coudersport, Potter county.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 65; children, 55; total, 120; baptisms, adults, 1; children, 3; total, 4; (one adult also baptized, and baptism recorded in another Diocese); marriages, 2.

My connexion with this parish closed in February last. I spent three years' labour in the desolate region of central northern Pennsylvania, attended with some success and much discouragement. I trust some good seed has been sown, which will bear fruit unto the great harvest of God. The parish at Coudersport is likely to remain destitute of a minister for some time to come, from inability to render him a support.

Report of the Rev. John B. Pradt, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Jersey Shore, Lycoming county.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 30; children, 30; total, 60; baptisms, children, 2; (by the Rev. G. W. Natt, of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre co.); communicants, 10; collections, Convention fund, $1 25; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, 1 25; total, 2 50.

My connexion with this parish has been only since February last. I have completed the organization of the parish, and the articles of association are herewith submitted to the Standing Committee, in order to our admission into union

with the Convention. My congregation is steadily increasing, and we are making an effort to build a church.

Report of the Rev. Azariah Prior, Rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk.

Congregation, families, 53; adults, 125; children, 105; total, 230; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 20; total, 21; communicants, added, 11; died or removed, 3; present number, 38; marriages, 7; burials, 20; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 3; total, 107; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 75; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 85; total, schools, 2; teachers, 16; pupils, 160; Bible classes, 2; members, 38.

During the past year more than a thousand dollars have been expended in alterations and improvements of our church edifice. It is now finished in accordance with the design of its founders, and presents a tasteful and beautiful appearance. A building for the use of our Sunday schools remains yet to be provided. Through the pious and active efforts of one of the ladies of the church, $200 have been raised for that purpose. This will account for the omission of contributions for missionary and other purposes during the past year.

Report of the Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia county.

There were baptized during the year, 76 infants, and 4 adults; total, 80; were confirmed, 24; communicants, added, 62; died, 6; removed, 45: leaving 213 on list at the commencement of the present year; individuals connected with the Sunday schools, 448; buried, 32; more than 300 families are regularly visited.

The Church of the Evangelists is a free-seated church. This arrangement is intended to accommodate those of limited means living in the suburbs where the church is placed. It is supported by the benevolence of those who compose its vestry, by donations from other churches, and by the voluntary offerings of the worshippers there, who give according to their ability. It has widely served the purpose of "preaching

the Gospel to the poor." The average annual additions to its communion from the commencement, have been 60. During the seven years of its existence, 1648 children received instruction in its Sunday schools. Many of these are now "walking with God." Nearly all connected with this church received their first impressions of truth through its means, and were previously at entire distance from the Gospel. In consequence of the continual change of residence of those who attend the church, the fluctuations in every department are often very great. This is one of its advantages, however, that it affords the comforts of religion to many whose brief sojourn would preclude them elsewhere. The congregation are not deficient in their return for benefits received; $771 79 were given last year to current expenses and benevolent objects. In fine, this church ranks amongst the most successful efforts of this kind, and still has claims upon the sympathy and support of the friends of city missions.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton county.

Baptisms, infants, 11; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 5; present number, 46; marriages, 4; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 102; other days, 30; total, 132; children catechised, 20; times, 50; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 12; female, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 13; total, schools, 2; teachers, 4; pupils, 25; collections, Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $10; Missionary and other purposes, 215; total, 225.

Report of the Rev. John Rodney, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

Communicants, added, 17; removed and died, 7; total number, 111; baptisms, children, 20; adults, 1; total, 21; marriages, 3; funerals, 6; congregation, 81 families and 450 individuals; Sunday school, 20 teachers and 130 scholars; Collections in the church and contributions from the members

thereof have amounted during the past year to the liberal sum of $1000, all of which has been devoted to the missionary cause, or to objects of a strictly religious character, and beyond the limits of the congregation.

Report of the Rev. Peter Russell, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk, Carbon county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 54; children, 58; total, 112; baptisms, infants, 13; communicants, 16; marriages, 5; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 101, of which 48 were in Mauch Chunk, 35 at Summit Hill, nine miles distant, and 18 at Nesquahoning, six miles distant, on other days 4, and in various other places 20, making a total of 125.

At Mauch Chunk service is held once every Sunday, two Sundays in the morning, and the third Sunday in the afternoon. Upon this day lay-service is performed by Wm. H. Sayre, Esq. in the morning, as well as on every other Sunday when the rector is absent. At Summit Hill one Sunday is omitted in three; and at Nesquahoning two out of three.

The Holy Communion has been administered twice during the year, the first time by the Rev. Mr. Drake, of Schuylkill Haven. The children belonging to the parish are catechised every third Sunday at the above-mentioned places.

Collections have been made as follows:—For missions of the West at the appeal of the Western Bishops, $10; Convention fund, 5; Advancement Society, 16 55, of which 6 55 were for the distribution of Bibles; total, 32 55.

A considerable portion of this money has been collected through the agency of a little society, formed last summer, to which the name is given of "Church Aid Society." The members of this society, who now number near fifty, pay, each, five cents per month, and if they, or others, choose to give any money in addition to the monthly contributions, it is received as donations. All that is collected by it is to be applied to Missionary purposes, and the support of Sunday schools now, or hereafter to be formed in the parish.

The prospects of the Church are, upon the whole, favourable; and all that is required for its permanent establishment in this part of the coal regions, is the erection of a church edifice. This, however, cannot be done without aid from a distance. This aid, the congregation feel confident, would readily be given, were the wants of the place really known, and its importance as a central position duly considered. They would, therefore, earnestly call the attention of their brethren to it, and they do so, both hoping and believing that He, who is "God over all, blessed for ever," will put it in the hearts of his people to assist in providing a refuge here in the midst of the mountains, in which those who are now wandering and going astray, may find a shelter, and be secure from the winds of doctrine, which are raging around them.

Report of the Rev. Richard Smith, Missionary at St. Andrew's Church, Springville, Susquehanna county.

Congregation, families, 32; adults, 107; children, 56; total, 195; at Friendsville, 4; in all, 199; baptisms, infants, 8; total, 8; communicants, died or removed, 3; present number, 61; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 90; other days, 16; total, 106; children catechised, occasionally; Sunday school, 1; male, teachers, 4; pupils, 13; female, teachers, 7; pupils, 23; total, teachers, 11; pupils, 36; Bible class, purpose commencing again; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $3 50; Convention, 6 25; other purposes, 11 88; Sunday school books, 4 63; total, 26 26.

I am sorry to have to state that during the past year I have been unable to perform all the duties I could have wished in the station, and the adjacent places; my health having failed in some measure; so that when at home I have been unable to hold two services; and having lost my horse, and being unable to purchase another, I have been prevented even when able to visit distant places. At Springville the congregation is much the same, though I think of late somewhat improving in numbers, and I believe an increasing interest is felt by some

at least. I have visited the Creek in Bradford county three times, preached once. The numbers I believe are nearly as last reported. At Friendsville, Susquehanna county, the number is lessened; five communicants, having removed to Western New York, leaving only four who are sincerely attached to the Church. This place I have also visited and preached at. I have endeavoured to get the services established at Tunkhannock, Wyoming county, but as yet cannot get a place to worship in. I have visited and preached *there*, once during the past year. I have also embraced an opening some four miles from my parish, where I have given service once a fortnight on Sunday afternoon, and am happy to say the services of the Church have excited an interest in her favour by a very regular attendance and steady attention of the inhabitants around.

Report of the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford township, county of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 10; total, 11; confirmed, 9; communicants, about 60; marriages, 18; burials, 19; public services, on Sundays, in the morning at Oxford, and at Frankford in the afternoon; children catechised, in the Sunday school, on the first Sunday of each month, at Frankford; Sunday school, male and female, teachers, 11; pupils, 75; collections, for missionary and other purposes, $59 04½.

In addition to the afternoon service, by the rector, at Frankford, there has been for some time past a regular morning service by supplies from the city. Our reverend brethren, Dupuy, Stratton, Hall, and Shaw, have officiated on these occasions. The former two generally. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper has been administered once a month in the afternoon, by the rector, with the office for the Holy Communion, as a distinct service. Efforts are being made to obtain funds for the erection of a church, which, it is hoped, will prove successful. The prospects here are promising, but the old Trinity church is exceedingly enfeebled.

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other days, 50; total 154; children catechised, 300; times, 6; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 14; pupils, 155; female, 2; teachers, 23; pupils, 198; total, schools, 4; teachers, 37; pupils, 353; parish school, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 120; bible classes, 5; members, 80; collections, Convention fund, $104; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 200; missionary and other purposes, 2,040; total, 2,344.

Report of the Rev. Oliver A. Shaw, of Philadelphia.

The writer of this report has, at two different periods of time during the past year, had charge of All Saint's Church, Philadelphia, and, in that church, baptized eight children.

He is happy to state, also, that his ministrations there were well attended; and he trusts that they have been productive of some benefit to those committed to his care.

He has, likewise, officiated elsewhere, since our last annual Convention, whenever an opportunity has been presented.

Report of the Rev. O. Evans Shannon, Rector of Grace Church, in Honesdale, Wayne co.

Congregation, families, 46; adults, 125; children, 95; total, 220; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 8; total, 9; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 9; present number, 54; marriages, 4; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 34; total, 138; in addition to the above, the rector has preached in Canaan 12 times, in Trinity church, Carbondale, once, and in St. John's church, Salem, twice; on the latter occasion he administered the Holy Communion; children catechised, 30; times, 4; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 57; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 67; total, schools, 2; teachers, 14; pupils, 124; collections, Convention fund, $5; missionary and other purposes, 77; total, 82.

Report of the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, 3 adults, and 52 infants, total, 55; confirmations, 24; communicants, added, 36; died and removed, 28; pre-

sent number, 614; marriages, 9; burials, 11; Sunday schools, male, teachers, 38; scholars, 381; female, teachers, 42; scholars, 423; total, teachers, 80; scholars, 804.

Collections for various purposes of religious benevolence during the year, above $8,000. Of this sum 2,000 was raised by the teachers and children of the Sunday schools for a new building for the accommodation of the Sunday schools of this church. The congregation has been exceedingly large during the whole year. I regret to say that the evidences of spiritual prosperity have not been so extensive or encouraging as in previous years. The sad occupation of the minds of the people with the public disasters of the church, has materially interfered with the growth and prosperity of spiritual religion. Still, we have not been left without witnesses to God's renewing power, and the state and prospects of the congregation for the last few months have materially improved.

Report of the Rev. Henry Tullidge, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie, Erie co.

Congregation, families, 75; adults, 180; children, 130; total, 310; baptisms, infants, 15; communicants, added, 9; died or removed, 11; present number, 68; marriages, 4; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 100; other days, 30; total, 130; children catechised, every month in the church; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 4; pupils, 28; female teachers, 8; pupils, 43; teachers, 12; pupils, 71; collections, Society for Advancement of Christianity, $5; missionary and other purposes, 37 50; total, 42 50.

Report of the Rev. Alexander Varian, Rector of Christ Church, in Meadville, Crawford co.

Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 19; total, 20; communicants, added, 4; died or removed, 9; present number, 67; married, 1 couple; burials, 14; public services, on Sundays, 101; other days, 52; total, 153; children catechised, average, twice a month; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 40; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 50; total, schools, 2; teachers,

13; pupils, 90; bible class, 1; members attending, 10 to 15; contributed for the Advancement Society by the Juvenile Missionary Society of this parish, $25; collections, for the Advancement Society, 10; Convention fund, 7 53; Domestic Missions, 25 84; alms, at Communion, 34 31; for Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 6; by ladies' sewing society, to the Sunday school and church debt, 160; for current expenses of the parish, 32 01; subscriptions for repairs and other objects, by the congregation and ladies' sewing society, 60; total, 360 69.

Report of the Rev. P. Van Pelt, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Since the last Convention I have performed divine service on 79 occasions; preached 27 times; baptized 8 children; officiated at 12 funerals; solemnized 2 marriages; met a Bible Class of 20 young men every Sunday before morning prayer; made 267 parochial visits; and attended to my duties as Secretary of the "Board of Missions."

Report of the Rev. William A. White, Rector of St. James' Church, Downingtown, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 75; children, 55; total, 130; baptisms, infants, 8; communicants, added, 4; present number, 12; marriages, 4; public services, on Sundays, 94; other days, 26; total, 120; children catechised, 25; times, 1; Sunday schools, male and female, teachers, 6; pupils, 40; collections, Convention fund, $4; Missionary and other purposes, 38 20; total, 42 20.

The morning congregation in this church on Sundays is uniformly large; and the attendance at other times is such as to inspire the hope, that in due season church-going habits may be formed, and the service of the Most High become on all days a delight. Considerable attention has been paid to sacred music, and there is a manifest improvement and increase in the vocal praises of the sanctuary, owing to the instructions

of a gentleman, formerly of the Philadelphia "Institution for the Blind," who is a communicant of our church.

The Sunday school is still regularly superintended by the rector. The number of scholars has been quite fluctuating, but those now enrolled are constant attendants, and take much interest in religious truth.

The Report of the Rev. W. H. Woodward, Rector of St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, and of St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester County.

St. Paul's Church.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 95; children, 85; total, 180; baptisms, children, 10; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 3; removed, 2; present number, about 49; marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 11; total, 63; children catechised, 4 times; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, 60; total, schools, 2; teachers, 19; pupils, 90; Bible class, members, 12; collections, Convention fund, $4; domestic Missions, 5; foreign Missions, (from the Sunday schools,) 6 50; total, (exclusive of liberal contributions for church improvements), 11 50. The rector commenced his stated labours August 18th, 1844. On the 25th of March last, an ordination was appointed at this church, when he was admitted to priest's orders by the Right Rev. Alfred Lee.

St. Peter's Church.

Congregation, various; families, about 25; adults, 52; children, 30; total, 82; confirmed, (at St. Paul's,) 1; communicants, about 25; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 48; other days, 3; Sunday school, teachers, 5; pupils, 22; it is of recent formation. Collections for Missions, $4.

On the 15th of April last, centenary services were held to commemorate the building of this church, one hundred years ago. The rector was cheered by the presence and assistance of his respected brethren in the ministry, by large and attentive congregations, and by the expression of a deep interest

felt in the prosperity of this ancient and "mother church." The vestry, who are not wanting in a kind attention to the comforts of their minister, have recently taken measures for rebuilding a part of the parsonage house.

This report extending back only to the 18th of August, 1844, I would add, that before that date, I had been assisting my brethren, had preached 21 times, including a month's supply at St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia, during the absence of the rector.

Report of the Rev. Joshua Weaver, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland county.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 54; children, 47; total, 101; baptisms, infants, 7; communicants, present number, 29; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 87; other days, 24; total, 111; children catechised, in Sunday school, generally every Sunday; Sunday schools, 1, male and female; teachers, 11; pupils, 60; collections, Convention fund, $3 40; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, 5 25.

The limited means of the parish induced me, during the last year, to make an effort in the city of Philadelphia to obtain funds sufficient to pay some remaining debts, and also to do some other things of much necessity, and too long neglected. My effort was not as successful as I had anticipated, nevertheless I obtained about $120, which has been appropriated to the wants of the parish.

Much more could be applied to good purpose in this parish, and greatly indeed is there needed in this destitute portion of our state the liberal aid of the wealthy and more privileged part of our communion. And without at all pretending to speak in disparagement of Foreign Missions, I must nevertheless say, that much of the money that is sent abroad, had better be applied to the propagation of the Gospel at home; nor do I conceive that I hazard any thing in saying, that just as much heathenism may be found in many parts of our own state, as in India or Africa.

Report of the Rev. William White, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Butler, Butler county.

Congregation, families, 31; adults, 78; children, 70; total, 147; communicants, added, 3; present number, 42; baptisms, adults, 1; children, 21; total, 22; marriages, 1; burials, 5; collections, Convention fund, $4 25; other purposes, 11 22; total, 15 47; services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 12; total, 108.

I have also officiated twice at Mercer, and three times at Bakerstown, at which latter place I had the pleasure of assisting Dr. Upfold in the administration of the Lord's Supper to a little band of ten communicants, where, until then, the Church's voice had been never heard, nor her solemn services been seen.

Report of the Parish of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, Delaware co.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 120; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 2; total, 3; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 9; died or removed, 2; present number, 82; marriages, 3; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, one familiar exposition of Scripture, and prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, part of the year; service on Christmas, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday; children catechised only a few times; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 105; collections, in aid of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, Delaware, $10 00; for missions, 34 50; for County Bible Society, 9 25.

The Rev. Mr. Ward having accepted an invitation of the Wardens and Vestry of this Church to become Assistant or Associate Rector, in May, 1844, entered upon the duties of his charge on the first of June. In April, of the present year, the Rev. Mr. Ridgley having resigned the Rectorship of the parish, Mr. Ward was unanimously elected, and accepted the same. The present condition and prospects of the parish are, in a good degree, encouraging to the heart of the Pastor. The congregation is large, and attentive. With

great unanimity, and a commendable zeal, the Wardens and Vestry having determined to take down the present Church edifice, have resolved to rise up and build, and are now diligently strengthening each other's hands for this good work. We have pleasing assurances of success, from the fact that "they all have a mind to the work."

Report of the Rev. Enos Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette co., and of Trinity Church, Washington, Washington co., Pa.

CHRIST CHURCH, BROWNSVILLE.

Congregation, families and parts of families, about as heretofore, say 36; baptisms, infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9; communicants, added, 5; died, 1; total, about 57; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 70; other days, 28; Sunday schools, male, 1; female, 1; number of teachers and pupils, not precisely ascertained, but about the same as given in my former report; collections and contributions not precisely ascertained, but not varying much from those of the last year, perhaps a little less.

TRINITY CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Families and parts of families, about 25; communicants, say 20; public services, on Sundays, 24; baptisms, infants, 5; funeral, 1; Sunday school, 1, consisting of male and female; number of teachers and pupils, not ascertained; perhaps in all not far from fifty; contribution, about 90.

Having previously accepted the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mark's, Honey Brook, Chester county, Pa., I resigned, on Easter Monday last, the 24th of March, the rectorship of the above named parishes, since which time, up to the 1st of May, I have held five public services in St. Andrew's, and four in St. Mark's, in both of which the congregations appear to be in a reviving and growing condition. To God be all the glory. Amen.

Report of the Rev. Thos. C. Yarnall, Rector of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 40; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 9; total, 10; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 10; died or removed, 2; present number, 62; marriage, 1; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 107; other days, 34; total, 141; Sunday schools, teachers, 10; pupils, 80. In addition to which, there is a Sunday school for coloured persons; pupils, 35. Also an infant school, containing 30 pupils. Collections, Convention Fund, $5; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 15; missionary and other purposes, 587.

Report from St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 40; children, 50; total, 90; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 4; present number, 16; marriage, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 96; on other days, 8; total, 104; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 25; collection Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $1 50; Convention Fund, 1 50.

The Rector of this Church and his lady have had the charge of Troy Academy for more than two years. For them, the children and youth of Troy and its vicinity entertain a very high degree of respect: from these facts, it is very natural and just to infer that the Rector possesses a weight of influence over this community, favourable to the Church, which a stranger could not acquire in a series of years.

Report of the parish of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, 180; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 76; total, 78; communicants, added, 25; died or removed, 12; present number, 250; marriages, 15; public services, on Sundays, 103; other days, 65; total, 168; Sunday schools, male, 1; female, 1; collections, Episcopal fund, $20; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 113 50; missionary and other purposes, 6 51; total, 784 50.

Report of the Rev. George Kirke, Rector of St. John's Church, New London, and St. James' Church, West Marlborough, Chester county.

Baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, added, 3; died, 2; present number, 28; burials, 3; public services and sermons, on Sundays, 25; other days, 18; total, 43; children catechised, times, 7; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 20; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $3 95; Convention fund, 2 63; Special Convention, 1 00; parish library 3 50; total, 10 08.

Though the families in this parish are widely scattered, the Rector has, during the past year, therein made 37 visits, administering the Lord's supper once in private, and preaching the Gospel from house to house.

St. James' Church, West Marlborough.

Communicants, added, 1; removed, 1; present number, 3; marriage, 1; public services and sermons, on the Lord's day, 26; other days, 2; total 28; collections, for parochial purposes, $1 75.

The minister of the above mentioned parishes, has likewise baptized one infant, and officiated thirteen times beyond their limits.

Report of the Rev. Henry T. Hiester, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Congregation, families, 24; adults, 67; children, 67; total, 134; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 4; present number, 28; marriages, 3; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 60; total, 164; children catechised, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 23; female, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 38; collections, foreign missions, $21 45; domestic missions, 7 25; Convention fund, 5 25; other purposes, 59 71; total, 93 66.

Report of the Rev. C. Wiltberger, Rector of Grace Church, Hulmeville, St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville, and Trinity, Centreville, Bucks county.

Grace Church, Hulmeville.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 38; children, 30; total, 68; communicants, removed, 4; present number, 18; public services, on Sundays, 36; other days, 8; total, 44; children catechised, 6; Sunday school, male and female, teachers, 7; pupils, 30; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $1 34; Convention fund, 63 cents; total, 1 97.

St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 60; children, 40; total, 100; baptisms, adults, 3; communicants, added, 7; removed, 1; present number, 11; marriages, 3; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 43; other days, 33; total, 76; Sunday school, male and female, teachers, 6; pupils, 40; bible classes, 1; members, 13; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 73 cents; Convention fund, 30; total, $1 03.

Trinity Church, Centreville.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 50; children, 20; total, 70; communicants, added, 2; removed, 1; present number, 7; public services, on Sundays, 35; other days, 5; total, 40; Sunday school, male and female, teachers, 6; pupils, 40; collections, Convention fund, $2 00.

There has been a slow but steady advancement through the year, and though much to discourage, some bright spots to cheer us in our work. Besides the regular appointments, considerable missionary labour has been performed; having preached at Oxford, Brownsville, Summerville, Goosetown, Pineville, Claytown, and Concord.

At Yardleyville, through the exertions of Mrs. W. a building has been erected on the Church lot, 18 by 32 feet, which is used as a Sunday school and lecture room. The cost $170.

Report of the Rev. J. H. Coit, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburgh, Dauphin county.

The present rector took charge of the parish thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 1st, 1844. Congregation, families, 45; adults, 134; children, 64; total, 198; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2; communicants, added, 18; died, 3; removed, 7; present number, 62; marriages, 1; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 72; other days, 66; total, 138; children catechised, monthly; Sunday school, teachers, 17; pupils, 80; collections, missions, $140 00; other purposes, 110 00; total, 250 00.

Note.—Some of the foregoing Reports were not received in time for insertion in their proper order.

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LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

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Adams County.

Christ Church—Huntingdon township.

Allegheny County.

Trinity Church—City of Pittsburg.
St. Andrew's Church—City of Pittsburg.
Christ Church—Allegheny.
St. John's Church—Lawrenceville.
St. Paul's Church—Laceyville.

Armstrong County.

St. Paul's Church—Kittaning.
Trinity Church—Freeport.

Beaver County.

Georgetown Church—Georgetown.
St. Paul's Church.
St. Peter's Church—Beaver Falls.

Berks County.

St. Gabriel's Church—Morlattin.
Christ Church—Reading.
St. Thomas' Church—Morgantown.

Bradford County.

St. Matthew's Church—Pike.
Christ Church—Towanda.
St. Paul's Church—Troy.

Bucks County.

St. James the Greater's Church.
St. Luke's Church—Newtown.
St. Andrew's Church—Yardleyville.
Grace Church—Hulmeville.
Trinity Church—Centreville.

Butler County.

St. Peter's Church—Butler.

Carbon County.

St. Mark's Church—Mauch Chunk.

Centre County.

Trinity Church—Philipsburg.
St. John's Church—Bellefonte.

Chester County.

St. John's Church—New London township.
St. Mary's Church—Warwick township.
St. Peter's Church—Great Valley.
St. John's Church—Pequea.
St. Paul's Church—West Whiteland township.
St. Andrew's Church—West Vincent.
St. Mark's Church—Honeybrook.
Church of the Holy Trinity—West Chester.
St. Peter's Church—Phœnixville.
St. James' Church—Downingtown.

Columbia County.

St. Gabriel's Church—Sugarloaf township.
St. Paul's Church—Bloomsburg.
Christ Church—Madison, Jerseytown.
Christ Church—Danville.
Trinity Church—Orangeville.

Crawford County.

Christ Church—Meadville.

Cumberland County.

St. John's Church—Carlisle.

Dauphin County.

St. Stephen's Church—Harrisburg.

Delaware County.

St. Paul's Church—Chester.
St. Martin's Church—Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook.
St. John's Church—Concord township.
St. David's Church—Newtown township, Radnor.
Calvary Church—Rockdale.

Erie County.

St. Paul's Church—Erie.
St. Peter's Church—Waterford.

Fayette County.

Christ Church—Brownsville.
Grace Church—Manalen.
St. Peter's Church—Uniontown.
Trinity Church—Connelsville.

Huntingdon County.

St. John's Church—Huntingdon.
Christ Church—Hollidaysburg.

Indiana County.

St. Peter's Church—Blairsville.

Lancaster County.

St. James' Church—Lancaster.
Christ Church—Leacock.
Bangor Church—Caernarvon township, Churchtown.
All Saints Church—Paradise.

Luzerne County.

St. Stephen's Church—Wilkesbarre.
Trinity Church—Carbondale.

Lycoming County.

St. James' Church—Muncy.
St. Mary's Church—Jersey Shore.

Mifflin County.

St. Mark's Church—Lewistown.

Montgomery County.

St. Thomas' Church—Whitemarsh township.
St. James' Church—Perkiomen township.
St. John's Church—Norristown.
Christ Church—Pottstown.

Northampton County.

Trinity Church—Easton.

Northumberland County.

St. Matthew's Church—Sunbury.

Philadelphia County.

Christ Church—Philadelphia.
St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.
St. James' Church—Philadelphia.
St. Paul's Church—Philadelphia.
St. Stephen's Church—Philadelphia.
St. Andrew's Church—Philadelphia.
Grace Church—Philadelphia.
Church of the Ascension—Philadelphia.
St. Luke's Church—Philadelphia.
Church of the Epiphany—Philadelphia.
St. John's Church—Northern Liberties.
Advent Church—Northern Liberties.

St. Mark's Church—Moyamensing.
All Saints' Church—Moyamensing.
Church of the Evangelists—Southwark.
Trinity Church—Southwark.
Church of the Messiah—Southwark.
Gloria Dei Church—Southwark.
St. Philip's Church—Spring Garden.
Church of the Nativity—Spring Garden.
St. James' Church—Kingsessing.
St. Matthew's Church—Francisville.
All Saints' Church—Lower Dublin township.
Emanuel Church—Holmesburg.
Trinity Church—Oxford township
St. Luke's Church—Germantown.
St. Mark's Church—Mantua, Blockley township.
Emanuel Church—Kensington.
St. Mary's Church—West Philadelphia.
St. David's Church—Manayunk.

Schuylkill County.

Trinity Church—Pottsville.
St. James' Church—Schuylkill Haven.
St. Paul's Church—Minersville.

Susquehanna County.

St. Andrew's Church—Springville.
St. Mark's Church—New Milford.
St. Paul's Church—Montrose.

Tioga County.

St. Paul's Church—Wellsborough.
Christ Church—Blossburg.

Washington County.

Trinity Church—Washington.

Wayne County.

Grace Church—Honesdale, Dyberry Parish.
Truth Church—Bethany.
St. John's Church—Salem.

Westmoreland County.

Christ Church—Greensburg.

York County.

St. John's Church.

1844		D.	C.
May 14	To cash paid Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk expenses in Episcopal visitations from 30th April, 1843, to 12th May, 1844,	231	95
23	To cash paid Rev. W. Armitt on account of travelling expenses,	17	00
	To cash paid Rev. J. H. Marsden, " "	5	25
	" " Geo. Mintzer, " "	1	00
	" " T. H. Mitchell, " "	27	00
	" " Wm. Hilton, " "	16	00
	" " Geo. C. Drake, " "	3	00
	" " Wm. White, " "	17	00
	" " James Bonner, " "	11	00
	" " Thomas Crumpton, " "	16	00
	" " J. B. Pradt, " "	20	00
	" " E. N. Lightner, " "	10	50
	" " R. B. Claxton, " "	6	50
	" " Wm. Adderly, " "	19	50
	" " Chas. Breck, " "	16	00
	" " C. Wiltberger, " "		62
	" " Geo. Kirke, " "	1	50
	" " M. K. Cushman, " "	6	25
	" " Richard Smith, " "	10	50
	" " O. E. Shannon, " "	12	00
	" " Henry Major, " "	4	25
	" " S. T. Lord, " "	16	00
	" " J. N. Rogers, " "	6	25
	" " Milton C. Lightner, " "	10	50
	" " R. U. Morgan, " "	2	00
	" " G. W. Natt, " "	11	00
	" " Wm. H. Bourns, " "	5	25
	" " W. H. Norris, " "	5	25
	" " Sam. Bowman, " "	2	50
	" " Joshua Weaver, " "	5	25
	" " Freeman Lane, " "	12	00
	" " A. S. Colton, " "	1	50
	Amount carried forward,	530	32

Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1844			D.	$
May 13	By balance in hands of Treasurer per account rendered,		267	00
14	By cash from St. Paul's church, (contribution,) Philad.		30	00
"	"	Grace church, Philadelphia,	26	75
23	"	St. Peter's church, Philadelphia,	100	00
	"	Church of the Holy Trinity, Westchester,	5	00
	"	St. Peter's church, Butler,	4	08
	"	Christ church, Hollidaysburg,	3	28
	"	St Luke's church, Germantown,	11	50
	"	Christ church, Allegheny,	11	00
	"	Church of the Resurrection, Cowdersport,	1	00
	"	St. James' church, Muncy,	2	00
	"	St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,	7	56
	"	St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook,	5	00
	"	St. Peter's & St. Paul's churches, Beaver Co.	3	24
	"	St. Paul's church, Kittaning,	3	00
	"	Trinity church, Freeport,	3	25
	"	St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville,		60
	"	Grace church, Hulmeville,		40
	"	St. John's church, New London,	1	17
	"	Advent church, Philadelphia,	3	50
	"	St. John's church, Downingtown,	3	00
	"	Bangor church, Churchtown,	8	00
	"	St. Thomas' church, Morgantown,	2	60
	"	St. Paul's church, Montrose,	3	19
	"	St. Mark's church, New Milford,	2	80
	"	St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh	3	00
	"	Christ church, Danville,	5	37
	"	Grace church, Honesdale,	5	37
	"	St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg,	10	00
	"	Trinity church, Phillipsburg,	7	40
	"	St. Andrew's church, Springville,	3	25
	"	St. Paul's church, West Whiteland,	2	00
	"	Christ church, Reading,	5	00
	"	St. John's church, Bellefonte,	2	50
	"	St. Matthew's church, Sunbury,	4	00
	"	St. John's church, Carlisle,	5	00
	"	Christ church, Leacock,	5	00
	"	St. James' church, Lancaster,	10	00
	"	St. James's church, Bristol,	5	00
	"	St. Mary's church, Warwick,	2	18
	"	St. Peter's church, Uniontown,	5	25
	"	St. John's church, Norristown,	5	00
	"	St. John's church, Pequa,	6	00
	"	St. John's church, York,	2	80
	"	St. James' church, Perkiomen,	5	00
	"	St. Peter's church, Waterford,	2	00
	"	St. Mary's church, Hamilton,	5	00
	"	St. John's church, Philadelphia,	5	00
	"	St. Paul's church, Wellsboro',	4	00
	"	St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven,	12	05
	"	Trinity church, Easton,	5	00
	"	Trinity church, Oxford,	5	00
		Amount carried forward,	645	09

1844		D.	C.
June 13	Amount brought forward,	530	32
Sept. 4	To cash paid George & Wayne for printing,	7	00
	" King & Baird on account of printing,	100	00
	" Sexton of St. Andrew's church, expenses of Convention in May last,	21	25
7	" Rev. Jas. Bourn's expenses to the special Convention,	21	00
	" " S. T. Lord, " "	26	00
	" " Joshua Weaver, " "	14	00
	" " J. Adderly, " "	33	00
	" " T. H. Mitchell, " "	50	00
	" " Geo. Upfold, " "	30	00
	" " Wm. White, " "	32	00
	" " Thomas Crumpton, " "	30	00
	" " O. E. Shannon, " "	20	00
	" " H. T. Heister, " "	15	00
	" " Richard Smith, " "	20	00
	" " Freeman Lane, " "	22	50
	" " M. C. Lightner, " "	15	00
	" " J. H. Marsden, " "	11	00
	" " Enos Woodward, " "	30	00
	" " Wm. Hilton, " "	33	00
	" " M. K. Cushman, " "	20	00
	" " G. W. Natt, " "	21	50
	" " Henry Tullidge, " "	50	00
	" " Geo. C. Drake, " "	11	00
	" " R. B. Claxton, " "	13	50
	" " Geo. Kirke, " "	2	50
	" " Asa S. Colton, " "	3	50
	" " Wm. Preston, " "	30	00
	" " Joshua N. Rogers, " "	13	00
	" " Charles Breck, " "	24	00
	" Jos. S. Siddall for transcribing minutes of the Convention held in May,	10	00
Oct. 9	" Contribution to the General Convention in conformity with the canon of expenses,	93	00
Nov. 8	" Bishop Onderdonk's expenses on Episcopal visitation in May last,	4	50
12	" Stavely & M'Calla for printing one thousand copies of Dr. Tyng's Sermon before the special Convention,	41	65
	Amount carried forward,	1399	22

Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1844		D.	C
	Amount brought forward,	645	09
May 23	By cash from St. Paul's church, Bloomsbury,	3	12
	" Trinity church, Pottsville,	12	00
	" St. Paul's church, Troy,	1	25
	" St. Matthew's church, Francisville,	2	25
	" Emanuel church, Kensigton,	5	00
	" St. Mark's church, Honeybrook,	1	78
	" Christ church, Philadelphia,	50	00
	[*The following contributions were made to defray the expenses of the special Convention.*]		
Sept. 5	By cash from St. Phillip's church, Philadelphia,	76	64
	" St. Peter's do. do.	75	00
	" Christ do. do.	75	00
	" St. Paul's do. do.	64	66
	" St. James' do. do.	50	00
	" St. Andrew's do. do.	75	00
	" Church of the Epiphany, do.	75	00
	" Grace church, do.	75	00
	" Trinity church, Pittsburgh,	20	00
	" Grace church, Honesdale,	5	37
	" St. Luke's church, Germantown,	10	00
	" St. Peter's church, Butler,	2	78
	" St. John's church, Norristown,	4	00
	" Christ church, Hollidaysburg,	1	82
	" St. Matthew's church, Sunbury,	3	00
	" St. Peter's church, Blairsville,	1	12
	" Christ church, Greensburg,	2	25
	" St. Peter's church, Waterford,	1	00
	" Trinity church, Easton,	5	00
	" Trinity church, Phillipsburg,	11	00
	" Christ church, Brownsville,	2	00
	" St. Mark's church, Lewistown,	5	27
	" St. Paul's church, Montrose,	3	35
	" St. Paul's church, Troy,	1	75
	" Christ church, Danville,	3	50
	" Christ church, Adams county,	2	00
	" Emanuel church, Holmesburg,	5	50
	" Christ church, Allegheny,	8	00
	" Trinity church, Freeport,	3	00
	" St. Andrew's church, Springville,	2	25
	" St. John's church, Bellefonte,	2	00
	" Trinity chappel, Oxford,	8	11
	" St. Paul's church, Erie,	5	00
	" St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven,	5	10
	" St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,	2	50
	" St. John's church, New London,	1	00
	" St. Mark's church, Honeybrook,	1	69
	" St. Andrew's church, Pittsburgh,	14	90
	" St. Paul's church, Wellsboro',	4	78
	Amount carried forward,	1436	83

1845		D.	C.
	Amount brought forward,	1399	22
April 3,	To cash paid Williams & Co. for a tin case for preserving the books and papers,	3	50
May 6	" King & Baird in full, for bills of printing journals of Conventions in May and September,	171	44
6	" Sexton of St. Andrew's church, expenses of special convention,	13	31
6	" Additional contribution towards defraying the expenses of the General Convention in conformity with a resolution of that body,	62	00
12	" Bishop Lee of the Diocese of Delaware, expenses incurred on Episcopal visitations in this diocese by invitation of the standing committee,	12	25
		1661	72
	To balance carried down,	219	79
		1881	51

Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1845		D.	C.
	Amount brought forward,	1436	83
March 27	By cash from St. James' church, Philadelphia,	150	00
April 2	" St. Luke's do. do.	104	00
May 3	" St. Philip's do. do.	69	90
"	" St. Stephen's do. do.	66	56
5	" Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia,	54	22
		1881	51
May 14	By balance in the hands of the Treasurer,	219	79

E. E.

THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 14, 1845.

We have examined the above account and find it correct,

G. M. WHARTON,
JAMES S. NEWBOLD, } *Committee.*

Philadelphia, May 14, 1845.

Dr. **Fund for infirm and disabled Clergymen in**

			D.	C.
1844				
May 2	To cash paid	Rev. Robert Davis, six months' appropriation due first March,	100	00
Aug. 27	"	Rev. Robert Davis, three months' appropriation, due first June,	50	00
Sept. 14	"	Rev. Samuel T. Lord, six months' appropriation in advance,	100	00
Nov. 1	"	Rev. Robert Davis, three months' appropriation, due first September,	50	00
20	"	Rev. Robert Davis, three months' appropriation, due first December,	50	00
1845				
May 12	"	Rev. Robert Davis, three months' appropriation, due first March,	50	00
14		To balance carried down,	224	62
			624	62

The investments of the fund are as follows, viz.

One certificate of	city of	Philadelphia	five per cent	stock,	$1000	00
One do.	do.	do.	do	do.	500	00
					$1500	00

Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

		D.	C.
1844			
May 13	By balance in hand per account rendered,	217	57
June 14	By cash from Mrs. Jno. Markoe,	5	00
Aug. 28	" Mrs. E. B. Camac,	5	00
Nov. 12	By six months interest on investment,	45	00
1845			
Jan. 14	" " " " less state tax,	42	30
17	By cash for sale of certificate of city five per cent stock $300 at 3¼ premium,	309	75
		624	62
May 14	By balance brought down in the hands of the Treasurer,	224	62

E. E.

THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 14, 1845.

We have examined the above account, find it correct, and the certificates of stock on hand as above stated.

JNO. WELSH, JR., } *Committee.*
WM. H. NEWBOLD, }

Philadelphia, May 15, 1845.

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania in**

1844			D.	C.
June 6	To cash paid	Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, on account of interest due Feb. 1st, 1844,	230	00
Sept. 7	"	Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, in full of interest due Feb, 1st, 1844,	319	40
7	"	Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, on account of interest due August 1st, 1844,	300	00
Dec. 16	"	Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, in full of interest to 21st of October, the date of the acceptance of his resignation,	382	80
16	"	Discount on uncurrent notes,		35
		Balance brought forward,	1232	55

Account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. **Cr.**

1844				D.	C.
June 6	By amount received from G. M. Wharton, Esq. late Tre'r.			89	02
6	By cash through Thomas Robins, Esq. received from the following parishes :—				
	Bangor church, Churchtown,			4	00
	St. Thomas' church, Morgantown,			2	16
	Christ church, Danville,			3	14
	St. John's church, New London,			1	43
	Advent church, Philadelphia,			3	50
	St. John's church, Bellefonte,			3	75
	St. John's church, Carlisle,			10	00
	St. James' church, Lancaster,			13	25
	St. Mary's church, Warwick,			2	35
	Christ church, Leacock,			5	00
	St. John's church, Pequea,			5	00
	St. James' church, Herkimer,			4	00
	St. Mary's church, Hamiltonville,			5	00
	St. Paul's church, Wellsboro',			6	50
	Calvary church, Rockdale,			3	00
	Trinity church, Oxford,			5	11
	St. David's church, Radnor,			4	19
	Church of the Resurrection, Coudersport,			1	00
	All Saints' church, Lower Dublin,			5	33
	St. Paul's church, Bloomsbury,			2	50
	Holy Trinity church, Westchester,			5	00
	Trinity church, Pottsville,			11	22
	Emanuel church, Kensington,			5	00
	St. John's church, Norristown,			4	00
	St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,			6	50
	By cash through G. M. Wharton, Esq., from St. Paul's church, Erie,			1	00
	By cash from St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia,			20	00
July 8	" Grace church, Philadelphia,			26	75
Sept. 2	" Proceeds of sale made by order of the standing committee of one certificate of State six per cent. loan 1846, (old annuals,) for $447 20 *a* 70 per cent.	$313	04		
	Commission,	1	11	311	93
5	" Of one certificate 1843, (past due,) for $447 20, *a* 67 per cent.	$299	62		
	Commission,	1	11	298	51
10	" Christ church, Philadelphia,			50	00
"	" Christ church, Hollidaysburg,			1	02
Nov. 15	" St. Peter's church, Philadelphia,			30	00
Dec. 12	" All Saint's church, Paradise,			6	00
14	" Proceeds of sale by order of the standing committee of one certificate Pennsylvania loan annual five per cent. of 1846, for $475 64, *a* 65½ per cent.	$311	54		
	Commission,	1	19	310	35
	Amount carried forward,			1266	51

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania in**

1845				D.	C.
		Amount brought forward,		1232	55
March 1	To cash paid discount on uncurrent notes received in part payment of interest on State loan,			6	01
4	"	For one certificate of $500 Pennsyl'a. five per cent. loan of *a* 75¾ per cent.	$368 75		
		Broker's Commission,	1 25	370	00
May 13	"	For one certificate of $300 Pennsyl'a. five per cent. loan of *a* 72½ per cent.	$217 50		
		Broker's Commission,	75	218	25
		Balance in hand of the Treasurer,		9	36
				1836	17

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania is invested in five per cent. stock of the State of Pennsylvania, and amounts at this time to eighteen thousand, six hundred and eighty-seven dollars and ninety-seven cents in stock, and to nine dollars and thirty six cents in cash. There is also held as part of said fund, in addition to the above, the sum of nine hundred and forty-eight dollars and six cents, in certificates issued by the state, part bearing an interest at five per cent. and part at six per cent. having been given for unpaid interest on the above mentioned five per cent. stock.

JAMES S. SMITH, } *Trustees of*
G. M. WHARTON, } *Episcopal Fund.*

Philadelphia, May 17, 1845.

Account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. **Cr.**

1845		D.	C.
	Amount brought forward,	1266	51
Feb. 3	By cash from six months' interest on $17,887 97 Pennsylvania five per cent. loan,	447	20
March 27	" St. John's church, Philadelphia,	50	00
April 26	" St. Peter's church, do.	50	00
May 5	" Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia,	22	46
		1836	17

E. O. E.

JNO. WELSH, Jr., *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 16, 1845.

The undersigned, appointed by the Standing Committee, do certify, that they have examined the foregoing account and found the same correct. They have also examined the certificates of stock in which the fund is invested, and found the same amounts to nineteen thousand, six hundred and thirty-six dollars and three cents, ($19,636 03.)

JAMES S. NEWBOLD,
G. M. WHARTON.

Philadelphia, May 17, 1845.

Diocese of Pennsylvania. } ss.

WE, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is, that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty GOD, testify, that the Reverend Alonzo Potter, Doctor of Divinity, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare, that we do, in our conscience believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop, to the honour of GOD and the edifying of his Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Signed) LEVI BULL, *President*,
G. M. WHARTON, *Secretary*,
W. H. Odenheimer, Ass't Sec.

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church, May twenty-third, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

CLERGY.

Joseph Adderly.
William Adderly.
Charles Henry Alden.
William H. Bourns.
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George Boyd, D.D.

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John Coleman, D.D.
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Benjamin S. Huntington.
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George Kirke.
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Samuel T. Lord.
John H. Marsden.
John Gordon Maxwell.
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Richard Newton.
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John Rodney.
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Peter Russell.
Owen Evans Shanon.
Richard Smith.
George Sheets.
William W. Spear.
Nathan Stem.
William Suddards.
Henry Tullidge.
Stephen H. Tyng, D.D.
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Alexander Varian.
Joshua Weaver.
William White.
Christian Wiltberger, Jr.
Enos Wooward.
W. Augustus White.
Thomas C. Yarnall.

LAY DELEGATES.

George R. White. Trinity Church. City of Pittsburg. Allegheny County.

George Hogg, H. L. Bollman, } St. Andrew's Church. City of Pittsburg.

Joseph G. Davis. Christ Church. Allegheny.

Henry Gamble. St. Paul's Church. Laceyville.

Samuel S. Neale. St. Paul's Church. Kittaning, Armstrong County.

J. D. Torbett, B. F. Weaver, Dr. McDonald. } Trinity Church. Freeport.

George Brooke. St. Gabriel's Church. Morlattin. Berks County.

Joseph L. Stichter, John S. Richards. } Christ Church. Reading.

Levi B. Smith, David Plank, David Morgan. } St. Thomas' Church. Morgantown.

Edward Crandal. St. Matthew's Church. Pike. Bradford County.

A. M. Coe. Christ Church. Towanda.

P. Jenks. St. Luke's Church. Newtown.

Samuel Swift. Grace Church. Hulmeville.

William Stavely, William K. Huffnagle. } Trinity Church. Centreville.

John N. Purviance. St. Peter's Church. Butler. Butler County.

Asa Packer, William H. Sayre. } St. Mark's Church. Mauch Chunk. Carbon County.

George Buchanan. St. John's Church. Bellefonte. Centre County.

Thomas M. Charlton. St. John's Church. New London township. Chester County.

Clement Brooke, Thomas K. Bull, Samuel Shafer. } St. Mary's Church. Warwick township.

Lewis G. Pearce. St. Peter's Church. Great Valley.

Thomas G. Henderson. William F. Baker. } St. John's Church. Pequea.

Jonathan Jones. St. Paul's Church. West Whiteland township.

Henry Buckwalter. St. Andrews' Church. West Vincent.

Caleb P. Talcot. John Yocom } St. Mark's Church. Honeybrook.

George W. Pearce. Church of the Holy Trinity. West Chester.

John S. Morris. St. Peter's Church. Phœnixville.

John McKinley, John Cornog. } St. James' Church. Downingtown.

Lewis H. Maus. St. Paul's Church. Bloomsburg.

Peter Baldy. Christ Church. Danville.

W. W. Dick, John McFarland, Gaylord Church. } Christ Church. Meadville. Crawford County.

Hamilton Alricks, Benjamin Parke, Jr., } St. Stephen's Church. Harrisburg. Dauphin County.

Jacob K. Zeilin. St. Paul's Church. Chester. Delaware County.

Enoch Gray, Benjamin F. Johnson, Thomas Robinson. } St. Martin's Church. Marcus Hook. Lower Chichester township.

Hill Brinton. St. John's Church. Concord township.

Isaac Norton, Griffith Jones. } St. David's Church. Radnor. Newtown township.

Richard S. Smith. Calvary Church. Rockdale.

Bethuel B. Vincent. St. Paul's Church. Erie County.

Charles C. Boyd. St. Peter's Church. Waterford.

Henry Sweitzer. Christ Church. Brownsville. Fayette County.

James McIlvaine. St. Peter's Church. Uniontown.

Dr. Jacob Forney. St. John's Church. Huntingdon. Huntingdon County.

Albert J. Garber. Christ Church. Hollidaysburg.

William Scott. St. Peter's Church. Blairsville. Indiana County.

Alexander L. Hayes, Ellis Lewis, John L. Atlee. } St. James' Church. Lancaster, Lancaster County.

Andrew Dunlap, Joel Lightner. } Christ Church. Leacock.

Thomas B. Jacobs. Bangor Church. Churchtown. Caernarvon township.

Isaac B. Burrows. All Saints Church. Paradise.

Amzi Fuller, Warren J. Woodward. } St. Stephen's Church. Wilkesbarre. Luzerne County.

Dr. Edward D. Kittoe, B. Morris Ellis. } St. James' Church. Muncy. Lycoming County.

E. E. Locke. St. Mark's Church. Lewistown. Mifflin County.

Frederick Nash. St. Thomas' Church. Whitemarsh township. Montgomery County.

William Casselberry. St. James' Church. Perkiomen township.

Adam Slemmer, William Wills. } St. John's Church. Norristown.

Joseph Neide. Christ Church. Pottstown.

Hopewell Hepburn, John Swift. } Trinity Church. Easton. Northampton County.

John H. Purdy. St. Matthew's Church. Sunbury. Northumberland County.

James Y. Humphreys, Francis West, M. D., William M. Meredith. } Christ Church. Philadelphia. Philadelphia County.

James S. Smith, Joseph R. Ingersoll, Henry Reed. } St. Peter's Church. Philadelphia.

Robert Ralston,
Robert Toland,
Geo. M. Wharton. } St. James' Church. Philadelphia.

John Farr,
Wm. Alexander. } St. Paul's Church. Philadelphia.

Chas. N. Bancker,
Wm. Kirkham,
Robley Dunglison, M. D. } St. Stephen's Church. Phila.

Cornelius Stevenson,
Lambert Duy,
Thomas Robins. } St. Andrew's Church. Phila.

Herman Cope. Grace Church. Philadelphia.

James S. Newbold,
William Martin,
Charles Harvey. } Church of the Ascension. Phila.

William Welsh,
Edmund Wilcox. } St. Luke's Church. Philadelphia.

Lewis R. Ashurst,
Caspar Morris,
Thomas S. Taylor. } Church of the Epiphany. Phila.

John W. Kester,
Henry W. Chadwick,
William Letford. } St. John's Church. North. Lib.

Joseph S. Riley, Sen.,
John S. Haverstick,
Edmund H. Frishmuth. } Advent Church. North. Lib.

James P. Landsdown. All Saints' Church. Moyamensing.

James M. Aertsen,
William Robinson, Jr., } Church of the Evangelists. Southwark.

Peter Williamson,
Clement S. Rutter,
Dr. Wm. H. Klapp. } Trinity Church. Southwark.

Aubrey H. Smith,
Thomas J. Biles. } St. James' Church. Kingsessing.

George M. Stroud. St. Matthew's Church. Francisville.

Charles W. Harrison,
Lawrence S. Lardner. } All Saints' Church. Lower Dublin township.

George Fox. Emanuel Church. Holmesburg.

Edmund Green. Trinity Church. Oxford township.

John S. Littell, Wyndham H. Stokes. } St. Luke's Church. Germantown.

Jacob P. Donaldson. Emanuel Church. Kensington.

Thomas Allibone. St. Mary's Church. West Phila.

Samuel Wagner, Dr. John Rosencrantz. } St. David's Church. Manayunk.

Thomas H. Powers, Henry Conrad, William Webb. } St. Philip's Church. Spring Garden.

Edward Owen Parry, Thos. C. Williams. } Trinity Church. Pottsville. Schuylkill County.

William B. Potts, William S. Hill. } St. James' Church. Schuylkill Haven.

Arad Wakelee. St. Andrew's Church. Springville. Susquehanna County.

Asa Hammond. St. Mark's Church. New Milford.

Rasselas Searle. St. Paul's Church. Montrose.

Samuel W. Morris. St. Paul's Church. Wellsborough. Tioga County.

Robert P. Lane. Trinity Church. Washington. Washington County.

J. C. Gunn. Grace Church. Dyberry Parish. Honesdale. Wayne County.

Robert Bruce. St. John's Church. York County.

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, 1846, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

GEORGE M. WHARTON, *Secretary.*

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WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION

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CLERGY.

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Rev. *Joseph Adderly,
" *Wm. Adderly,
" *George Allen,
" T. G. Allen,
" Breed Batcheller,
" Frederick W. Beasley,
" William H. Bourns,
" Samuel Bowman, D. D.
" George Boyd, D. D.
" *Charles Breck,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,
" Edward Y. Buchanan,
" Levi Bull, D. D.
" William J. Clark,
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" Jehu C. Clay, D. D.
" John B. Clemson,
" J. Howland Coit,
" John Coleman, D. D.
" Asa S. Colton,
" William C. Cooley,
Rev. Samuel Cowell,
" *Thomas Crumpton,
" Robert Davis,
" William N. Diehl,
" Benjamin Dorr, D. D.
" Jacob M. Douglass,
" George C. Drake,
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.
" Geo. E. Durborow,
" Heman Dyer, D. D.
" George G. Field,
" C. A. Foster,
" J. A. Fowles,
" Richard D. Hall,
" Anson G. Hard,
" *N. S. Harris,
" G. Emlen Hare, D. D.
" Samuel Hazelhurst,
" Henry T. Hiester,
" William Hilton,
" John W. Hoffman,
" George P. Hopkins,

Rev. Marmaduke Hirst,
" Benjamin S. Huntington,
" *N. M. Jones,
" John J. Kerr,
" George Kirke,
" Freeman Lane,
" Edmund Leaf,
" John Long,
" Milton C. Lightner,
" Samuel T. Lord,
" *John H. Marsden,
" John Gordon Maxwell,
" Edwin Mendenhall,
" Tobias H. Michell, M. D.
" George Mintzer,
" Richard U. Morgan, D.D.
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" J. P. Nash,
" George W. Natt,
" Edmund Neville,
" Richard Newton,
" *William H. Norris,
" William H. Odenheimer,
" Frederick Ogilby,
" William S. Perkins,
Rev. William Preston,
" Azariah Prior,
" Thomas H. Quinan,
" *John Reynolds,
" Greenbury W. Ridgely,
" John Rodney,
" Joshua M. Rogers,
" Peter Russell,
" Owen Evans Shannon,
" George Sheets,
" Richard Smith,
" Nathan Stem,
" K. J. Stewart,
" William Suddards,
" Henry Tullidge,
" George Upfold, D. D.
" Peter Van Pelt,
" John A. Vaughan, D.D.
" William White,
" *Bird Wilson, D.D.
" Christian Wiltberger,
" Enos Woodward,
" W. H. Woodward,
" Thomas C. Yarnall.

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LAY DEPUTIES.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,
T. Allibone,
J. M. Allen,
J. P. Aertsen,
*Wm. G. Allen,
*Jno. L. Atlee,
*Joseph Buffington,
*J. J. Blakslee,
*L. Blakslee,
H. W. Brinton,
F. R. Backus,
*J. R. Beuhler,
J. Burnside,
*Lewis Brinton,

Geo. Blight,
*H. L. Bollman,
*Daniel J. Bruner,
Clement Brooke,
Thos. K. Bull,
Peter Baldy,
*Jesse Brooke,
*Benj. Brooke,
*J. B. Burrowes,
*J. Boyd Baker,
C. N. Bancker,
*Jos. Benjamin,
*Garrett Brown,
*P. V. Bayley,
W. D. Brown,
*A. E. Brown,
George Breck,
J. S. Carpenter,
*P. Crosby,
Herman Cope,
Jno. W. Claghorn,
Chas. H. Clay,
*Harry Conrad,
Wm. P. Cresson,
Wm. Casselberry,
*J. H. Dunning,
*I. Davis,
W. W. Duffield,
Wm. Darlington,
J. P. Donaldson,
J. B. Douglass,
Saml. N. Davies,
Edward Davies,
R. Dunglison,
L. Duy,
S. M. Davis,
Isaac Eckert,
*Edward Ellis,
*G. A. Elliott,
*Edward Evans,
*H. S. Freidlein,
H. G. Freeman,
*R. Foard,
Geo. Fox,
*J. C. Gunn,
J. L. Goddard,
Edward J. Glen,
Enoch Gray,
J. F. Griffith,
J. D. George,
Chas. F. Gebler,
E. Green,
T. G. Henderson,
*A. S. Henderson,
*W. Henderson,
*E. W. Hamlin,
J. S. Haverstick,
W. S. Hill,
R. R. Hodges,
*J. Hodgson,
Francis Hoskins,
Robert E. Hobart,
Henry Hay,
Geo. Helmuth,
*Thos. M. Howe,
*Geo. Hogg,
Jno. Holmes,
Edw. Helfinstein,
A. L. Hayes,
J. Y. Humphreys,
G. W. Harrison,
G. Harrison.
J. R. Ingersoll,
*J. Jones,
J. G. Johnson,
Thos. B. Jacobs,

Phineas Jenks,
*Benj. F. Johnson,
E. D. Kittoe,
J. Kearney,
*J. C. Kempton,
W. H. Klapp,
J. W. Kester,
*Luther Kidder,
Wm. Kirkham,
*W. C. Kelso,
*W. Lilly,
D. D. Lewis,
J. S. Littell,
R. P. Lardner,
J. Leonard,
*Mord. D. Lewis,
Ellis Lewis,
Joel Lightner,
L. S. Lardner,
C. Morris,
W. Musgrave,
W. Martin,
E. W. Mumford,
James Moore,
W. M. Meredith,
*Erasmus Mourton,
*Major McVeigh,
*W. R. McLaury,
T. McSorley,
*R. McCall,
T. H. McAllister,
B. F. McDonald,
M. McPaul,
Jno. McKay,
J. S. Newbold,
Isaac Norton,
Wm. B. Norris,
R. C. Nagel,
Daniel Pyle,
*Asa Packer,
J. Peacock,
J. N. Purviance,
E. O. Parry,
*W. B. Potts,
C. Pearce,
F. W. Porter,
Jno. Paul,
*Jos. Palmer,
*Geo. W. Pearce,
Thos. H. Powers,
Jos. Potts.
David Plank,
Jno. B. Parker,
Jos. Potts, Jr.
Henry Pettibone,
*F. W. Robb,
R. Ralston,
*R. Rutter,
Jno. P. Rutter,
Jos. Ripka, Jr.
Dr. Jno. Rosencrantz,
*Abel Reed,
Henry Reed,
C. S. Rutter,
*M. S. Richards,
*Jno. S. Richards,
*Elisha Reynolds,
*J. Stuart Riddle,
T. B. Robeson,
Thos. Robins,
W. H. Sayre,
C. M. Stokes,
*W. H. Stokes,
Aubrey H. Smith,
G. M. Stroud,
J. S. Smith,

James Stewart,
W. B. R. Selby,
Geo. Stewart,
Levi B. Smith,
Samuel Shaffer,
H. M. Sheaff,
Samuel Shannon,
C. Stevenson,
Wm. Stavely,
Samuel Swift,
John Squires,
John Swift,
A. Thomas,
J. Tucker,
R. Toland,
C. Tolbert,
Geo. G. Thomas,
*Thos. Thompson,
B. B. Vincent,
T. C. Williams,
G. M. Wharton,
Thos. Wood,
Wm. Welsh,
Edmund Wilcox,
*Geo. G. Wagner,
Samuel Wagner,
J. R. Wilmer,
P. Williamson,
Geo. R. White,
Wm. M. Watts,
H. B. Wright,
*A. C. Wilson,
Wm. Wills,
Francis West,
Horace E. Wolf,
J. Yocum.

Peter Yocum, 203

NOTE.—Those whose names are marked thus * were not present at the Convention.

ROLL OF LAY DEPUTIES,

FROM THE SEVERAL CHURCHES OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Allegheny County. Trinity church, City of Pittsburg George R. White, Thomas M. Howe.

St. Andrew's church, City of Pittsburg. H. L. Bollman, George Hogg, John Holmes.

Armstrong County. St. Paul's church, Kittaning. Joseph Buffington.

Berks County. St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin. Daniel Pyle.

Christ church, Reading. Matthias S. Richards, Isaac Eckert, John S. Richards.

St. Thomas' church, Morgantown. David Plank, Levi B. Smith, Dr. Daniel J. Bruner.

Bucks County. St. James the Greater's church. George Breck.

St. Luke's church, Newtown. Dr. Phineas Jenks, R. C. Nagel, Garrett Brown.

St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville. John Squires, Peter V. Bayley, Wm. D. Brown.

Grace church, Hulmeville. Samuel Swift, George Harrison.

Trinity church, Centreville. Wm. Stavely.

Carbon County. St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk. Wm. H. Sayre, Asa Packer, William Lilly.

Centre County. St. John's church, Bellefonte. James Burnside.

Chester County. St. John's church, New London township. Joseph Hodgson, Benj. F. McDonald, Robert Foard.

St. Mary's church, Warwick township. Samuel Shaffer, Clement Brooke, Thos. K. Bull.

St. Peter's church, Great Valley. Cromwell Pearce, John Tucker.

St. John's church, Pequea. Thos. G. Henderson, William Henderson, Amos S. Henderson.

St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township. Jonathan Jones, Azariah Thomas.

St. Andrew's church, West Vincent. Isaac Davis, John Paul.

St. Mark's church, Honeybrook. Caleb Tolbert, John Yocum.

Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester. Dr. William Darlington, Lewis Brinton, George W. Pearce.

Columbia County. Christ church, Danville. Peter Baldy, Elisha Reynolds.

Crawford County. Christ church, Meadville. Dr. Edw. Ellis, Col. J. Stuart Riddle.

Cumberland County. St. John's church, Carlisle. John B. Parker, Wm. M. Watts, Edward Helfenstein.

Dauphin County. St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg. Jas. Peacock, Jno. H. Berryhill, Gen. Jno. M. Purviance.

Delaware County. St. Paul's church, Chester. Peirce Crosby, J. G. Johnson, J. M. Allen.

St. Martin's church, L. Chichester township, Marcus Hook. Benj. F. Johnson, Enoch Gray, Erasmus Mourton.

St. John's church, Concord township. Henry W. Brinton, Robert McCall.

St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor. Isaac Norton, Jesse Brooke, Benj. Brooke.

Calvary church, Rockdale. George Stewart, John F. Griffith.

Erie County. St. Paul's church, Erie. Bethuel B. Vincent, Wm. C. Kelso, George A. Elliott.

Lancaster County. St. James' church, Lancaster. Hon. A. L. Hayes, Hon. Ellis Lewis, Dr. Jno. L. Atlee.

Christ church, Leacock. Joel Lightner, Richard Rutter, Thomas McSorley.

Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown. Edw. Davies, Joseph Potts, Jr. Thomas B. Jacobs.

All Saints' Church, Paradise. Isaac B. Burrowes, J. Boyd Baker.

Luzerne County. St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre. Luther Kidder, H. B. Wright, Henry Pettibone.

Trinity church, Carbondale. Jos. Benjamin.

Lycoming County. St. James' church, Muncy. Thomas Wood, Edward D. Kittoe, Fleming W. Robb.

Mifflin County. St. Mark's church, Lewistown. William B. Norris, Alexander C. Wilson.

Montgomery County. St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township. H. M. Sheaff, Fred. B. Robeson.

St. James church, Perkiomen township. Wm. Caselberry, Edward Evans.

St. John's church, Norristown. Samuel Shannon, John McKay, William Wills.

Christ church, Pottstown. Robert E. Hobart, Jno. P. Rutter, Chas. H. Clay.

Northampton County. Trinity church, Easton. Alexander E. Brown, John Swift, Horace E. Wolf.

Philadelphia County. Christ church, Philadelphia. James Y. Humphreys, Francis West, M. D., Wm. M. Meredith.

St. Peter's church, Philadelphia. James S. Smith, Jos. R. Ingersoll, Henry Reed.

St. James' church, Philadelphia. G. M. Wharton, Robert Ralston, Robert Toland.

St. Paul's church, Philadelphia. Samuel N. Davies, Jno. D. George, Joseph Potts.

St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia. Charles N. Bancker, Robley Dunglison, M. D., William Kirkham.

St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia. Cornelius Stevenson, Thomas Robins, Lambert Duy.

Grace church, Philadelphia. Herman Cope, Jno. W. Claghorn, Francis Hoskins.

Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia. James S. Newbold, Jno. P. Aertsen, William Martin.

St. Luke's church, Philadelphia. William Welsh, Edmund Wilcox, Mordecai D. Lewis.

Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia. Lewis R. Ashurst, Caspar Morris, Fred. W. Porter.

St. John's church, Northern Liberties. J. W. Kester, Charles F. Gebler, Henry Hay.

Advent church, Northern Liberties. Abel Reed, J. S. Haverstick, Frederick R. Backus.

All Saints' church, Moyamensing. James Moore, Wm. G. Allen, Geo. Helmuth.

Church of the Evangelists, Southwark. Robert R. Hodges, Henry S. Friedlein, James R. Buehler.

Trinity church, Southwark. Peter Williamson, C. S. Rutter, William H. Klapp.

Gloria Dei church, Southwark. James Stewart, Peter Yocum, W. B. R. Selby.

St. Philip's church, Spring Garden. Thomas H. Powers, Harry Conrad, William P. Cresson.

Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden. J. L. Goddard, S. M. Davis, Thos. Thompson.

Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden. Jas. Leonard, James Kearney, Thomas H. McAllister.

St. James' church, Kingsessing. Joseph Palmer, George G. Thomas, Aubrey H. Smith.

St. Matthew's church, Francisville. George M. Stroud, Benj. J. Douglass.

St. James the Less' church, North Penn Township. Geo. Blight, Jno. R. Wilmer, James C. Kempton.

All Saints' church, Lower Dublin Township. Charles W. Harrison, Laurence S. Lardner.

Emanuel church, Holmesburg. Edward J. Glen, George Fox, George G. Wagner.

Trinity church, Oxford Township. Edmund Green.

St. Mark's church, Frankford. Wm. H. Duffield, Richard P. Lardner.

St. Luke's church, Germantown. John S. Littell, Charles M. Stokes, Wm. H. Stokes.

Emanuel church, Kensington. Jacob P. Donaldson, Mathew McPaul, Edw. W. Mumford.

St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia. Thomas Allibone, Wm. Musgrave, H. G. Freeman.

St. David's church, Manayunk. Joseph Ripka, Jr., Samuel Wagner, Dr. Rosencratz.

Schuylkill County. Trinity church, Pottsville. Edward Owen Parry, Thomas C. Williams, James S. Carpenter.

St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven. William S. Hill, William B. Potts, David D. Lewis.

Wayne County. Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish. J. H. Dunning, E. W. Hamlin, J. C. Gunn.

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PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Tuesday, May 18th, A. D. 1847, 5 o'clock, P. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several clergymen and Lay Deputies, attended at St. Andrew's Church.

The chair being taken by the Bishop, the Convention proceeded to organize.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats was called over by the Secretary, and the following answered to their names, viz:

Rev. J. G. Allen,	Rev. Heman Dyer,
" W. H. Bourns,	" Geo. G. Field,
" Samuel Bowman,	" C. A. Foster,
" Geo. Boyd,	" J. H. Fowles,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	" Richard D. Hall,
" E. Y. Buchanan,	" G. Emlen Hare,
" Levi Bull,	" Samuel Hazlehurst,
" Wm. J. Clark,	" Jno. W. Hoffman,
" Robt. B. Claxton,	" Geo. P. Hopkins,
" J. C. Clay,	" M. Hirst,
" J. B. Clemson,	" Geo. Kirke,
" John Coleman,	" Edmund Leaf,
" A. S. Colton,	" Samuel T. Lord,
" Wm. C. Cooley,	" Tobias H. Michell,
" Samuel Cowell,	" Geo. Mintzer,
" Robt. Davis,	" R. U. Morgan,
" Benj. Dorr,	" H. J. Morton,
" Geo. C. Drake,	" J. P. Nash,
" H. W. Ducachet,	" G. W. Natt,
" Geo. C. Durborow,	" E. Neville,

Rev. R. Newton,
" W. H. Odenheimer,
" F. Ogilby,
" Wm. L. Perkins,
" Wm. Preston,
" G. W. Ridgely,
" Jno. Rodney,
" J. M. Rogers,
" Peter Russell,
Rev. O. E. Shannon,
" Richard Smith,
" Nathan Stem,
" K. J. Stewart,
" Wm. Suddards,
" Henry Tullidge,
" P. Van Pelt,
" Thos. C. Yarnall,

The following Lay Deputies presented certificates of their appointment, which being in the form prescribed by the Canon, their names were recorded, and being called, they answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

L. R. Ashurst,
T. Allibone,
J. P. Aertsen,
H. W. Brinton,
James Burnside,
F. R. Backus,
G. Blight,
P. Baldy,
C. N. Bancker,
J. S. Carpenter,
H. Cope,
J. W. Claghorn,
C. H. Clay,
W. P. Cresson,
W. H. Duffield,
W. Darlington,
B. J. Douglass,
S. N. Davies,
E. Davies,
R. Dunglison,
L. Duy,
S. M. Davis,
J. L. Goddard,
J. F. Griffith,
J. D. George,
C. F. Gebler,
J. S. Haverstick,
W. S. Hill,
R. R. Hodges,
F. Hoskins,
R. E. Hobart,
H. Hay,
G. Helmuth,
J. Holmes,
E. Helfenstein,
A. L. Hayes,
J. Y. Humphreys,
T. B. Jacobs,
J. Kearney,
W. H. Klapp,
W. Kirkham,
D. D. Lewis,
J. Leonard.
R. P. Lardner,
E. Lewis,
J. Lightner,
W. Musgrave,
E. W. Mumford,
W. M. Meredith,
B. F. McDonald,

M. McPaul,
I. Norton,
W. B. Norris,
J. N. Purviance,
E. O. Parry,
F. W. Porter,
T. H. Powers,
J. Potts,
J. B. Parker,
J. Potts, Jr.,
R. Ralston,
J. Ripka, Jr.,
J. Rosencrantz,
H. Reed,
C. S. Rutter,
T. Robins,
W. H. Sayre,
A. H. Smith,
L. B. Smith,
G. M. Stroud,
J. Stewart,
W. B. R. Selby,
G. Stewart,
S. Shafer,
H. M. Sheaff,
S. Shannon,
C. Stevenson,
R. Toland,
C. Tolbert,
G. M. Wharton,
Wm. Welsh,
E. Wilcox,
J. R. Wilmer,
P. Williamson,
G. R. White,
W. M. Watts,
H. B. Wright,
F. West,
J. Yocum,
P. Yocum.

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to choose a Secretary and Assistant Secretary. Geo. M. Wharton, a Lay Deputy from St. James' Church, Phila., was nominated for the office of Secretary; and the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer was nominated for the office of Assistant Secretary. There being no other nominations, the balloting was, according to rule, dispensed with; and the persons named were duly elected viva voce, to the offices of Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively.

It was then Resolved, that the house shall hold two sessions every day, viz: from 9 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and from 5 o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., provided that it shall not meet on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock.

It was also Resolved, that Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church belonging to this Diocese, and not entitled to seats in this Convention, and Clergymen not belonging to this Diocese, and Clergymen of the Church of England or of her Colonies, and Students of Divinity of the Episcopal Church, now in the City of Philadelphia, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The Secretary then read the Rules of Order from the Revised Regulations as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form of prayer, prescribed by the Bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the president, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the house is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the president leave the chair.

On motion of the Secretary, a Committee of three was appointed, to whom the testimonials of lay deputies were

referred. Messrs. Meredith, Ellis Lewis and Herman Cope, were nominated by the chair.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Newton, a Committee of three was appointed, to consider and report upon the claim of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass to a seat in the Convention, whereupon, the Rev. Drs. Bull and Ducachet and the Rev. Mr. Clemson were appointed.

The Convention then adjourned until 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, to attend Divine Service.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church.
Wednesday, May 19th, A. D. 1847, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met and attended divine service. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D. D., assisted by the Rev. C. D. Cooper, who read the lessons. The Ante-communion was read by the Right Rev. the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Boyd, who read the Epistle and Gospel. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Stem, after which the Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Carmichael, Boyd and Cooper.

The Convention was called to order after service. The Roll was then called, and the minutes of yesterday P. M. read and approved.

The following Clergymen entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz: The Rev. Messrs. Batcheller, Beasley, Coit, Diehl, Hard, Hiester, Hilton, Huntington, Kerr, Lane, Long, Lightner, Mendenhall, Prior, Sheets, Upfold, Vaughan, White, Wiltberger, and W. H. Woodward.

And the following Lay Deputies, viz: Messrs. J. Nagel, W. D. Brown, Squires, Samuel Swift, G. Harrison, T. G. Henderson, Vincent, L. S. Lardner, and Green, not present yesterday, and entitled to seats, appeared, having presented their proper certificates and took their seats.

The Committee on the testimonials of Lay Deputies presented the following Report:

The Committee to which were referred the testimonials of the lay delegates, Report:

That they have examined the testimonials referred to them, and find them to be in due form and properly authenticated.

The Committee observe that Joel Lightner, Esq., is returned as a Lay Delegate from two Parishes, viz: All Saints, Paradise, and Christ Church, Leacock. The Committee perceive no provision in the Constitution, Canons, or regulations of the Church, prohibiting the same member from sitting for any number of parishes.

W. M. Meredith,
For the Committee, May 18th, 1847.

And Mr. Meredith thereupon offered the following resolution:

Whereas, it appears that Joel Lightner, Esq., has been returned as a Lay Delegate from two churches, viz: All Saints, Paradise, and Christ Church, Leacock. *Resolved*, That Mr. Lightner elect for which church he will sit—which resolution, after some discussion, was adopted. Whereupon Mr. Lightner elected to represent All Saints Church, Paradise.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, it was Resolved, that the election of officers be made the order of the day for this afternoon, immediately after the delivery of the Episcopal Address.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dorr, a Committee on Charters was appointed; the chair nominated Rev. Dr. Upfold, Rev. Messrs. Neville and Claxton, and Messrs. Stroud and H. Reed.

The Charters of the Churches of the Atonement, Philadelphia, and of the Messiah, Port Richmond, were laid on the table, as having been submitted to and approved by the Bishop and Standing Committee, and were referred to the Committee on Charters.

The Rev. Dr. Bull, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the claim of the Rev. Mr. Douglass to a seat, presented the following Report:

The Committee appointed to inquire into the right of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass to a seat in this Convention, present their report:

That the said Rev. J. M. Douglass resigned his parochial charge, on account of ill health; and that agreeably to the last provision in the fourth article of the constitution, which asserts that no clergyman of advanced years or infirm health who has been once entitled to a seat in this Convention, shall lose his

seat therein, by reason of his having ceased to have charge of a parish, or to be in the service of a seminary of learning, or to be a missionary as aforesaid. He therefore hath been and is, according to constitution, of right entitled to a seat in this Convention.

Therefore resolved, that the said Rev. Jacob M. Douglass be permitted to take his seat in this Convention.

LEVI BULL,
JOHN B. CLEMSON.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet, from the minority of the same Committee, on leave, presented a counter Report, as follows:

The undersigned, one of the Committee appointed yesterday to consider and report upon the resolution offered by the Rev. Richard Newton, respecting the title of the *Reverend Jacob M. Douglass* to a seat in this Convention, begs leave to present the following as his report.

The FACTS of the case, it is agreed, are as follows: The Rev. Mr. Douglass had, for some years, been the Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville; and in virtue of his office, had held a seat in the Convention. In the year 1844, he was visited with an affliction which led to his resignation of that charge. At the Convention of 1845, the question of Mr. Douglass's right to a seat, was referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Thos. M. Clark, Morgan, and Spear. That Committee reported, that the circumstances of his case were not, in their opinion, such as to entitle him to a seat in the Convention; and their report was unanimously acquiesced in by the members of that body. A claim is now made for a seat for him, on the ground that he resigned his cure in consequence of ill health, and that the constitution provides that ill health shall not disfranchise any clergyman who has once been entitled to a seat, but who has, on that account, ceased to have charge of a parish. It is alleged, that he was, in 1845, unjustly deprived of his rights as a member of the house; and that to give to him the right to a seat here, would be only an act of tardy but obvious justice. Such are the facts, and the reasoning, upon which the claim is urged.

Now, let us look at the LAW. The article of the Constitution

which defines the qualifications for membership in the Convention of this Diocese, (Art. IV. p. 10,) after stating who may be members, makes this *proviso*, viz: "that no clergyman of advanced years or infirm health who has once been entitled to a seat in Convention, shall lose his right to a seat therein, by reason of his having ceased to have charge of a parish, &c." Now, it is manifest from this clause of the constitution, that a clergyman who, once having a seat, is incapacitated by sickness for the discharge of parochial duty, and by reason of such infirmity is induced to resign his cure, is entitled to hold his seat *so long as such infirmity may continue.* He has been afflicted; and the church takes no privileges from him in consequence of the calamity with which it may have pleased God to visit him. But, it is equally clear, that, as soon as his health is restored, his right to a seat ceases. He held the seat by virtue *only* of the infirmity under which he was labouring; that right ceases, of course, when that infirmity no longer exists. If he is no longer in infirm health, the question comes, why is he not employed in the duties of a parish? and if he is not, why should he have any rights which are not granted to other non-parochial clergymen? If, after giving up his parish in consequence of ill health, he should recover in a year or two, and continue in good health, enjoying perhaps even a robust and vigorous condition of body, for 10, 15, or 20 years, can any one suppose that the constitution meant that, during all that long period, he should continue to hold his seat?

Now, it is not alleged that the Rev. Mr. Douglass is, *at the present time*, labouring under the affliction which led to his resignation in the year 1844. On the contrary, it is expressly admitted that he is entirely restored, and is now as well as he ever was in his life. If so, (and there is no doubt of his entire recovery,) it does not appear to the undersigned that, being yet without parochial employment, he can claim the benefit which the constitution obviously designed to reserve to the *aged and infirm only.* To entitle him to a seat here, at this time, he must be actually in "infirm health," which it is not pretended he is. Such is the letter of the law.

It may be said, that the Committee who reported upon his case in 1845, did not do him justice in reporting that he had no

claim to a seat; and that the Convention was led into a wrong by their error of judgment. Be it recollected, first, that at that time, Mr. Douglass had himself made no application for admission; 2dly, that he was not then in a state that would have allowed of his attending the sessions of the Convention, even had he been admitted; 3dly, that the peculiar form of his disease would have unfitted him for taking any part in the duties of the house; and 4thly, that it may admit of question, whether the peculiar form of malady under which that estimable brother was suffering, can properly be called "infirm health," in the true intent and meaning of the constitution.

But, even if it be granted and clear that he was unjustly deprived of his seat in 1845, (though he had never claimed it, or asked for it, and was never present in the house, and could not be,) it is to be borne in mind, that the question to be inquired into and settled, is not what were his rights in the year 1845, but what are his rights *now; is he entitled to a seat in the present Convention?* If the Convention of 1845 committed an error in acquiescing in the report of the Committee which declared he had no seat in that body, it is not for us (a different body) to rectify the error. The time is past for that. We are to determine this, and this only; is the Reverend gentleman properly and constitutionally a member of the Convention *now* assembled. Taking into view the undisputed facts which have been presented in this document, and the law of the church as declared in the IVth article of the constitution;—the undersigned is brought to the conclusion, (most reluctantly indeed,) that Mr. Douglass is not a member of this house, and has no just claim to a seat here. Most gladly would he have come to a different conclusion, could he have done so honestly, and without doing violence to the supreme law of the constitution. As the facts and the law stand, he is compelled to dissent from the opinion of the majority of the Committee; and in presenting this, a minority report, to offer to the Convention the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, that the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass is not entitled to a seat in this Convention, as a member thereof.

All which is most respectfully submitted.

H. W. Ducachet.

On motion, the above Reports and accompanying Resolution were laid on the table.

The Minutes of the Standing Committee were placed upon the Secretary's table, by the Rev. Dr. Dorr, the President of the Committee.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

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5 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Convention reassembled, the calling of the roll was dispensed with, and the minutes of the morning session read and approved.

The following Lay Deputies, not before in attendance, presented their certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats, viz: Messrs. Thos. K. Bull, W. Stavely, E. Gray, Jno. Swift, W. Casselberry, J. L. Atlee, T. McSorley, Jno. Paul, H. E. Wolf, and Geo. Breck.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bull, the Convention took up for consideration the Reports of the Committee, on the claim of the Rev. Mr. Douglass to a seat. The Resolution attached to the report of the majority of the Committee was adopted, and the Rev. Mr. Douglass being thereupon called, answered to his name and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Dorr, as President of the Standing Committee, laid upon the table, as approved by that Committee and the Bishop, the articles of Association of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, and the Charter of Christ Church; Williamsport, which were referred to the Committee on Charters. The Rev. Dr. Dorr also submitted the Annual Reports of the Treasurers of the Episcopal and Convention Funds.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual Address as follows:

ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

I proceed to lay before you my *second* Report or Address, in which the Canons require me to state the official acts which I have performed, and the changes which have taken place within the Diocese, since the last meeting of the Convention, and also

to present for your consideration, such matters as may tend to throw light on the state and prospects of this part of the Church of Christ.

I cannot enter on this duty without acknowledging with fervent gratitude the manifold favours which a kind Providence has vouchsafed since we last met, as well to the Diocese as to him, who has been charged with its oversight. This year has not been marked by any signal or extraordinary advance in the cause of truth and piety among us; but it has been distinguished by an evident though gradual improvement in many of our congregations, by the addition of several active members to the ranks of our labouring clergy, by the formation of several new and promising parishes, and by a measure of Providential blessing to the people of our charge, almost without a parallel in the history of the past. It has been the grateful lot of the Bishop of the Diocese to live in harmony with his brethren of the clergy and laity, to enjoy their prompt and generous assistance, and to receive wherever he has gone hospitality and kindness which have made an indelible impression on his memory. It has been his grateful privilege, also, to witness among all a growing disposition to co-operate in good works, and while each remains loyal to his own opinions on the questions that divide us, not to allow such differences to interfere with the charities of life. For all this, he desires to return devout thanks to the Giver of all good, and he earnestly prays that the remembrance of blessings received may incite both pastors and people to renewed diligence and devotion in that holy service which is identified alike with our private happiness and our public welfare.

I. On the Sunday next following the last Convention, I preached in the morning in St. James' Church, in this city, and confirmed *fifteen* persons. In the afternoon of the same day I preached before the congregation of St. James the Less, a parish which had been organized a short time previous at Schuylkill Falls, in the neighbourhood of this city, and which is now actively engaged in erecting a house of worship. On the following day I officiated at the funeral of an infant child of the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, in this city, and on Friday of the same week, at Christ Church, in this city, I read Morning Prayers and baptized an infant son of the Rector. The next Sunday was passed, at his request,

with Bishop Lee, in Wilmington, Delaware, where I preached twice, addressed the children of the Sunday School of St. Andrew's Church on the occasion of its anniversary, and baptized the infant daughter of the Bishop.

On Trinity Sunday, (the 7th of June,) I officiated in the morning by preaching and reading prayers in St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, and in the evening by preaching at the Mission, which has been established among the coloured poor of Moyamensing. This enterprise, undertaken by two or three devoted laymen, and cordially sustained for several months by the voluntary services of the city Clergy, deserves much of our aid and sympathy. It operates among the most wretched and neglected of a race to whom we have done great wrong, and to whom we owe a vast debt not only of charity but of remunerative justice. It has enjoyed thus far the evident favour of Heaven. A Sunday School composed of adults as well as children has been established and conducted with untiring zeal. Many families have been visited, and by a judicious combination of temporal relief and spiritual instruction, their condition and character have been materially improved. The field is continually opening before the efforts of those who labour in it, and it is much to be desired that it may be permanently and effectively occupied. The Rev. E. C. Jones has been charged with the care of this Mission for the last four months, and a parish has been organized by the name of "the Church of the Crucifixion." I fondly trust that many of the Laity may be induced to contribute their substance or their service to this work of self-denying love, and that those who do so may be endowed with a single desire to honour God, and to tread in the footsteps of Him whose meat and drink it was to do his Father's will.

On the following Sunday, (being the first after Trinity,) I read service and preached in the morning at Doylestown, where a parish had been recently organized by the Missionary labours of the Rev. Mr. Hopkins. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached at Trinity Church, Centreville, and in the evening again at Doylestown. The following Sunday was passed at Newark, New Jersey, as I was on my way to New York to attend the annual Meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On the 28th of June, (being the 3d Sunday after Trinity,) in St. Philip's Church in this city, I admitted to Deacon's orders, *five* condidates, viz., Joseph Hicks Smith, David H. Macurdy, Benjamin Wistar Morris, Henry T. Spackman, and Henry Eglinton Montgomery. All these gentlemen are now actively and usefully at work in the Diocese;—Mr. Smith in connection with the Calvary Church Mission in the Northern Liberties, Mr. Macurdy as Rector of the new parish at Schuylkill Falls, Mr. Morris as Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Mr. Spackman as Rector of the new parish at Frankford, and Mr. Montgomery as Rector of All Saints, Moyamensing.

From this time I was disabled by sickness from performing any public duty for the space of three weeks. On the 19th of July, being the 6th Sunday after Trinity, I admitted two more candidates for orders, Abel Augustus Marple and Barclay A. Smith, to the Diaconate at Grace Church in this city; the former of whom, after labouring efficiently for some time as a Missionary at Athens, Bradford Co., is now Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg, having been succeeded at Athens by Mr. Smith, whose efforts seem to have been crowned thus far with much success.

At the same time and place in which this ordination was held, and in the presence of the Rev. Doctors Ducachet and Vaughan, I displaced from the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Rev. Henry Major.

On the next day, July 20th, at the request of an association of Ladies, (principally of Christ Church in this city,) who are engaged with the most indefatigable zeal in procuring funds to erect a Church in Memory of the late Bishop White, to be placed in the Northern Liberties, for the accommodation of the destitute in that vicinity, I appointed the Rev. Joseph Hicks Smith, Deacon, Missionary to labour in connection with the undertaking, and to derive his support from its friends. Public service was soon after commenced in a sail-loft, and has been regularly continued to this time, having been recently transferred to a large and commodious hall. I took occasion in my last Address to commend this undertaking to the favour of the Diocese. Further acquaintance with the district in which the Missionary labours and with the spirit in which his efforts

The Secretary then read the Rules of Order from the Revised Regulations as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form of prayer, prescribed by the Bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the president, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the house is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the president leave the chair.

On motion of the Secretary, a Committee of three was appointed, to whom the testimonials of lay deputies were

Church, Blairsville, also vacant. Both of these parishes have been without a pastor for nearly two years.

The next five days were spent in Armstrong and Clarion counties. On the 15th Sunday after Trinity, I preached three times in Trinity Church, Freeport. On the afternoon of the next day, (Monday the 21st,) I delivered an address and laid in a beautiful position the corner-stone of a new edifice for St. Paul's Church, Kittanning. The former building, less eligibly situated, was destroyed by a tornado in the summer of 1845. In the evening of the same day, I preached in the Presbyterian Church of Kittanning, kindly loaned for the purpose. On Tuesday the 22d, I preached and administered confirmation in St. Michael's Parish, Wayne township, and on Wednesday I preached at the house of Mr. Robert Barr in Red Bank in the morning, and at the village of Clarion, Clarion Co., in the evening. The next day I visited Brady's Bend on the Alleghany, where a very large manufactory has been established, and where there are a few members of our Church. In a school-house at this place, I preached and baptized one infant. The next day I proceeded to Butler Co., and officiated twice at St. Peter's Church, in the village of Butler, besides holding a confirmation.

On the 16th Sunday after Trinity, (being the 27th of Sept.) I officiated in the morning at St. Peter's Church, Beaver, by preaching and administering confirmation, and in the afternoon at St. Paul's, by preaching. The next morning I crossed the Ohio river at Georgetown, and held a service in the Church at that place. The next day at Washington, 30 miles distant, where we have a small but zealous band of Episcopalians, struggling with honourable perseverance to secure the stated ministrations of the Church, I preached once; proceeding the next morning to Pittsburg, where I had requested my Rev. brethren, resident in Western Pennsylvania, to meet me in *Convocation.*

The Convocation was opened in the Vestry room of St. Andrew's Church, on the morning of the 1st day of October. After devotional services and conference respecting the affairs of that part of the Diocese, the Clergy adjourned to hold Divine service in St. Andrew's, when the Morning Service was read by the Rev. Dr. Carmichael and the Rev. Mr. Cowell, and a sermon on

the duties and responsibilities of the ministerial office, was preached by the Bishop. In the afternoon a second meeting of the Convocation was held, and a second public service for preaching and prayer in the same Church. In the evening, Divine service was held in Trinity Church, and a sermon on the claims of the Missionary work was delivered. On the following morning, after another meeting of the Convocation, the Rev. Mr. Flint, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie, was admitted in Trinity Church to the order of Priests, being presented by the Rev. Dr. Upfold, who, with the Rev. Messrs. Hilton, Crumpton and White, united in the imposition of hands.

In the afternoon of the same day, Divine service with a sermon was held in Christ Church, Allegheny, and in the evening again in Trinity Church, Pittsburg. On the following morning, at St. Paul's Church, Laceyville, I preached and held confirmation, and in the evening of the same day, at the request of the citizens of Pittsburg, I addressed them in the Hall of the University of Western Pennsylvania, an Institution of which the Rev. Dr. Dyer is President, the Rev. Dr. Upfold being President of the Board of Trustees. The subject of the Address was Popular Education as identified with the industrial, social, political and religious welfare of the city, a subject, to the vast importance of which the inhabitants of that most enterprising and interesting town seem to be growing more and more alive.

The next day being Sunday, I preached and held confirmations in *three* of the churches; in the morning in Christ Church, Allegheny; in the afternoon in St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg, and in the evening at Trinity Church

Thus was concluded a series of public services and of opportunities for private intercourse and consultation among the clergy of Western Pennsylvania, which was not, I trust, without benefit. Many of our clerical brethren, especially in that part of the Diocese, are much isolated by the remoteness of their cures from each other, and opportunities for free communion and conference, with mutual prayer for the Divine aid and guidance, can hardly fail to reanimate them in encountering the toils and sacrifices of their ministry, while it must supply them with hints in respect to their public and private labours, which may prove rich in blessing as well to themselves as to their respective flocks. Such meetings

among the clergy, too, if connected with frequent public service, with much private prayer, and with abstinence from unprofitable and irritating controversies, must conduce to strengthen the bonds of mutual affection and confidence, and to induce that spirit of general and cordial co-operation, so essential to the growth of our Church, and of true religion. They prove most profitable, it is believed, where they involve systematic efforts for the strengthening of weak parishes, for the formation of new ones in destitute places, and for providing occasional services for the scattered members of our fold. These were objects kept steadily in view in the Convocation at Pittsburg. While the importance of locating an additional number of missionaries in that part of the Diocese was distinctly recognized, and the great desirableness also of employing one or more *missionaries at large*, who could spend much of their time in travelling, the clergy present engaged for the time being, to supply the lack of their service, as far as possible, by voluntary exertions of their own. They divided the counties of Western Pennsylvania among them, and propose to hold services and visit families both where we have people so scattered that no regular parishes can be formed; and also at points where there is a prospect that churches can be planted soon, and with advantage to the Diocese at large. According to this arrangement, the Rev. Messrs. Michell, Carmichael and Flint, were to perform missionary duty in concert in the counties of Erie, Crawford, Mercer, Venango and Warren; Rev. Messrs. Hilton, White, and William Adderly in Beaver, Butler, Armstrong, Clarion and Indiana; Rev. Drs. Upfold and Dyer, and Rev. Messrs. Preston and Crumpton in Allegheny, Westmoreland and parts adjacent; and Rev. Messrs. Cowell, Jones and Stewart in Washington, Fayette and Greene. From three of these brethren I have already received interesting reports of visits made and services rendered in remote and destitute regions, which will be followed I trust by others in other parts of the same district.

The results of this visitation were as follows; one Ordination, one corner-stone laid, a Convocation of the Clergy of Western Pennsylvania, and Confirmations as follows: Christ Church Chapel, Petersburg, 2; Christ Church, Brownsville, 7; St. Peter's, Uniontown, 7; Trinity, Connellsville, 8; St. Michael's, Wayne

township, 15; St. Peter's, Butler, 9; St. Peter's, Beaver, 9; St. Paul's, Laceyville, 7; Christ Church, Allegheny, 12; St. Andrews, Pittsburg, 26; Trinity Church, Pittsburg, 35.

I cannot conclude the notice of this tour without expressing my thankful remembrance of the hospitality which, as in other parts of the Diocese, so here, I every where experienced, nor without recording my acknowledgments for the facilities which were supplied, for enabling me to reach my appointments in good season, and with all possible comfort. I was placed under special obligation in these respects by the courtesy of the Vestries of St. Paul's Church, Kittanning, and Trinity Church, Pittsburg, each of them having put a conveyance at my disposal for several days.

On returning to Philadelphia, I was occupied for some time, principally in performing the more private duties which pertain to my office, and which necessarily occupy a large portion of time, especially after an absence of several weeks. I also availed myself of the opportunity kindly afforded me at this time by the Rectors of the parishes in the vicinity to officiate by preaching and otherwise in their churches, by addressing the Sunday Schools, catechising the children, and rendering such other service as might be called for. These informal visits, made without previous notice, and not involving the performance of offices strictly Episcopal, I regard as useful alike to a Bishop and to the people of his charge. They afford occasion for intercourse with the laity, both more frequent and more unrestrained than can well be enjoyed at regular visitations; they exhibit the parishes in their ordinary working condition; and they afford to the Clergy and Bishop additional opportunities for conference, and for a fraternal interchange of their views and feelings.

In this way I officiated during the months of October and November, in St. David's Church, Manayunk, twice—in St. James the Less, Schuylkill Falls, once—in St. Peter's, Phœnixville, twice—in All Saints, Lower Dublin township, once—in Emanuel Church, Holmesburg, twice—in St. Mary's, West Philadelphia, which had just been enlarged and essentially improved, both within and without, once—in Grace Church, Philadelphia, twice—in a Hall in Port Richmond, opened for a new congregation, since organized by the name of the Church of the

Messiah, once—in Christ Church, Philadelphia, once—in the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester, once—in St. Philip's Church, once—in St. James', once—in St. Andrew's once—in St. Lukes', once—in St. Peter's, once—in the Church of the Epiphany, once—in St. Paul's, once—and once in the Church of the Nativity.

During this period I also performed the following public acts which pertain more especially to the Episcopate. On Sunday, the 18th of October, in St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, I confirmed *four* persons. On Thursday, the 22d of October, I consecrated St. Mark's Church, Frankford, a chaste and commodious edifice erected for a new parish in that place, and already filled under the efficient ministrations of the Rev. Mr. Spackman. It deserves to be recorded as an honourable example and one which is likely to be followed throughout the Diocese, that the consecration of this Church was not requested until the Wardens and Vestry had provided for the liquidation of all pecuniary claims against it, so that it now stands, and I trust will forever stand, free of debt. The same office was performed, and under circumstances equally honourable to the parish, on Tuesday, the 24th of November, for Christ Church, Pottstown, where a very tasteful edifice has been erected by the untiring exertions of the Rector and his little flock. At the same time, and in the same parish, I confirmed five persons.

On the 21st Sunday after Trinity, being the 1st of Nov., in the Church of the Advent, in this city, I admitted Mr. H. Hastings Weld to Deacon's orders, and on the 23d Sunday after Trinity, in St. David's Church, Radnor, I admitted the Rector of that Church, the Rev. Breed Batcheller to the order of Priests. On the 11th of November, I administered confirmation in St. Luke's Church to a person who was about to proceed to South America, where he expects to reside several years.

On the 28th of October, I laid with suitable rites and an address, the corner-stone of the Church of St. James the Less, at Schuylkill Falls; and on the 22d of November, being the Sunday before Advent, I re-opened with an address and prayers, Trinity Church, Southwark, which had been enlarged and embellished materially, both without and within by the generous contributions of the parish. But for an unavoidable absence, I

should, two weeks later, have performed the same office at the Gloria Dei (Swedes' Church,) which has also been greatly improved during the last year in its interior, while its number of sittings has been increased more than one-third.

During the month of December, and the earlier part of the month of January, I was obliged to be absent from the Diocese in order to fulfil at Boston an engagement into which I entered some years since, and which I communicated to the gentlemen representing this Convention, at the time I accepted the place I now hold. I regretted this absence, as separating me from the more immediate discharge of my official duties, and I should have regretted it much more, had it not called me to plead before a numerous and enlightened audience, the interests of Revealed, in connection with those of Natural Religion, thus enabling me to consecrate the time which I was obliged to withdraw from your service to the advancement of the one cause in which we are all engaged. I ought to add that during my absence I was permitted by the courtesy of Bishop Eastburn and enjoying his presence and aid, to advance one of the Candidates for Orders of this Diocese to the Diaconate. Mr. Alex. G. Mercer was ordained Deacon in St. Paul's Church, Boston, on Sunday, the 13th of December. Having received a call to a parish in New York, he is about to remove to that Diocese.

III. On reaching home after the conclusion of my engagement at Boston, I commenced the fulfilment of appointments, which have occupied much of my time to this date. Confirmations with the results as noted, have been held in the following Churches:

All Saints', Moyamensing, 12; St. John's, Norristown, 3; Swedes' Church, Upper Merion, 1; St. Stephen's, Philadelphia, not a regular confirmation, 3; St. Luke's, Germantown, 14; St. Gabriel's, Morlattin, 20; Christ Church, Reading, 7; St. Thomas', Morgantown, 5; St. Mark's, Honeybrook, 2; St. Andrew's, West Vincent, 1; St. James', Downingtown, 4; All Saints, Paradise, 8; St. John's, Carlisle, 7; St. James', Lancaster, 11; St. John's, York, 5; Christ Church, Leacock, 11; St. John's, Pequea, 7; Ascension, Phila., 15; Gloria Dei, Southwark, 7; Calvary, N. L. 1; St. Thomas', Phila., 1; St. Philip's, 13; St. Andrew's, Phila., 13; St. Matthew's, Francisville, 3; St. Luke's, Phila., 18; Trinity, Oxford, 10;

St. Mark's, Frankford, 15; St. Peter's, Phila., 25; St. Mary's, West Phila., 10; Nativity, S. G., 12; St. John's, N. L., 6; Christ Church, Phila., 32; Grace Church, Phila., 16; Epiphany, Phila., 20; Trinity, Southwark, 16; St. Paul's, Phila., 20; St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, 1; St. Paul's Chester, 7; Calvary Church, Rockdale, 4; St. John's, Concord, 2; Holy Trinity, West Chester, 5; Christ Chapel, Oak Grove, 3; Grace Church, Hulmeville, 3; St. Andrew's, Yardleyville, 3; Trinity Church, Easton, 3; St. Paul's, Bloomsburg, 3; St. James', Muncy, 2; Christ Church, Williamsport, 4; St. Matthew's, Sunbury, 7; Christ Church, Danville, 14; St. Paul's, West Whiteland, 2; Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, 12; St. James the Less, Schuylkill Falls, 7; Emmanuel Church, Kensington, 8; St. Thomas', Whitemarsh, 11; St. David's, Manayunk, 19.

On the 15th of April, I also confirmed a sick woman in private, in the city of Philadelphia.

In each of the above Churches, I also preached and delivered one or more addresses at the time of holding confirmation. In several of them I preached twice, and in some of them three times.

I also preached during the same period, but when no Confirmation was held, in the Church of the Redemption, Fairmount; in the Church of the Evangelists, Southwark; in Christ Church, Pottstown; in Bangor Church, Churchtown; in St. Mary's, Warwick, Chester co.; in St. Stephen's, Harrisburg, twice; in St. Luke's, Philadelphia; in All Saints, Moyamensing; in the Church of the Advent, N. L.; in St. James the Greater Church, Bristol, Bucks co.; St. Luke's, Newtown, Bucks co.; in St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre; in Trinity Church, Orangeville, and Christ Church, Jerseytown, Columbia co.; in a newly organized parish in Northumberland; in St. Peter's, Great Valley; in Calvary (Monumental) Church, N. L., and at Conshohocken.

During my visitation of the Churches lying on the North and West Branches of the Susquehanna, which terminated on the 28th of April, I held a second Convocation at Williamsport, which was well attended and productive of much interest among the clergy and people. May it be followed by a corresponding blessing from on high! The clergy of that section of the Diocese have resolved to meet quarterly in the different parishes for the purpose of holding public services, and communing with

each other in private. At these meetings it is my purpose to be present as often as possible. It is their intention also to connect with these meetings a vigorous effort to enlist their respective congregations in the work of Missions, especially in their own vicinity. Nothing I believe is needed but earnest co-operation among the churches and clergy to render most of the parishes, now dependent on Missionary aid, self-supporting, and to build up new parishes where our services are much desired and would prove a great blessing. The clergy at this convocation were favoured with the presence and aid of the Rev. Mr. West, Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, who, besides pleading the cause of that Committee, furnished his brethren with the results of Convocational associations among the clergy of two of the New England Dioceses, which have been most gratifying as it respects the growth of the Church there in numbers, strength and piety. In addition to other advantages, which are likely to flow from these convocations properly conducted, will be the gradual preparation of the remoter parts of this state to be formed into one or more separate Dioceses. Such a result must be desired by every friend of true religion; but to render the measure a safe and beneficial one, the parishes within the territory proposed for a new Diocese should be able, not only to sustain themselves, but to bear the increased burden which will be occasioned by the support of the Episcopate and by Church extension within their own limits.

The *Ordinations* during the same period (Feb. to May 18th) were *eight*—four to the Diaconate, and four to the Priesthood. *To the Diaconate*, B. A. Starkey, ordained in the Church of the Ascension on Sunday the 21st of February; Samuel Durborow in St. Stephen's Church on Friday the 5th of March; Wm. L. Suddards and Samuel A. Clark in Grace Church, on Sunday the 14th of March.

To the Priesthood, Rev. H. E. Montgomery in All Saints' Church on Sunday, March 25th; Rev. Samuel J. Moorhouse in St. Peter's Church, on Easter Tuesday; Rev. A. Augustus Marple in St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg, of which he is Rector, on Thursday, April 22d; Rev. B. Wistar Morris in St. Matthew's, Sunbury, on Tuesday, April 27th.

The *corner stones* of three Churches, each belonging to a new

parish, were also laid during this period, viz: that of the Church of the Redemption, near Fairmount, on Saturday, March 6th; of the Church of the Atonement near Logan Square, on Tuesday, April 13th; of St. James' Church, Derry township, Columbia co., on Friday, April 23d. These buildings, I am glad to say, will be distinguished for the neatness, simplicity and appropriateness of their architecture.

I cannot close the record of my labours during this part of the year without adverting to a measure which I adopted with some hesitation, and only after it had been sanctioned by the concurrence of judicious advisers, but which has been followed by results equally unexpected and gratifying. Appalling distress had suddenly fallen upon a large part of Europe, but especially upon two countries to which we are intimately allied by community of origin, language and institutions, as well as of commercial interest, and from which we have derived many of our most useful and valued citizens. It was an event occurring in the midst of general peace over the world, and when the resources of science and art had so multiplied, that vain man was beginning to bid defiance to the approach of famine. Providence chose to rebuke his presumption, and to present, in the sufferings of myriads suddenly smitten with helplessness, a sad proof of human impotence, and a most affecting appeal to the charities of the whole civilized world. It seemed to be an occasion as rare as it was providential, an occasion when, by a prompt and united effort to administer relief, made in this far off land,—we could testify not merely our love for Christ, and our commiseration for those for whom Christ died, but could also warm the somewhat alienated hearts of our kindred across the water towards us, and thus contribute to allay the bitterness of international jealousy and calm the waters of religious strife. Impressed with these considerations, and hoping that an appeal to the churches of this Diocese might operate in strengthening even without our borders the deep feeling of sympathy which was beginning to exhibit itself, and might also help to concentrate and systematise efforts in many of the less populous districts,—I issued a Pastoral Letter on the 7th of February to the Clergy and Congregations of the Diocese, asking them to make contributions towards the relief of the sufferers. The appeal

was nobly responded to, and that response has carried the warmest emotions of gratitude to the hearts of multitudes whom we shall never see, while it must be the means of saving hundreds and perhaps thousands of valuable lives. In addition to large sums contributed by members of our Church in this Diocese through other channels, especially through the Relief Committees appointed in all the larger towns, the collections made in a portion of the churches have amounted to nearly $9000, ($8612 33.) This amount has been invested in corn meal by the gratuitous agency of Messrs. Thos. Robins and Wm. Welsh, and has been consigned to the care of Brown, Shipley & Co., Liverpool, who have generously declined any compensation for their services. It is made subject, three-fourths of it to the order of the Arch-bishops of Armagh and Dublin for the use of the Irish poor, and one-fourth to the order of the Primus of the Scotch Church and of the Bishop of Edinburgh, for the use of the poor of Scotland. This disposition of the contributions was adopted on the advice of the Wardens of those Churches in Philadelphia, which had contributed to the fund, it being their opinion that it would best secure what from the beginning had been our main object, the administration of the earliest and largest measure of relief. In writing to those prelates informing them of the shipment, I expressed I am sure but their own desire as well as the united wish of my advisers and myself, when I requested that the supplies should be distributed among the most destitute without reference to their religious faith or profession.

A record of the proceedings of the Meeting at which the Wardens of the City Churches resolved upon the advice just referred to—and a statement from the Treasurer of the Fund, of the moneys received and the expenditures made for the benefit of these sufferers, accompany this address, and will be published in the Appendix. The correspondence with the Irish Archbishops, is also annexed.

Letters of Dismission have been accepted from Bishop Eastburn in behalf of the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe; from Bishop Elliott in behalf of the Rev. Wm. Flint; from Bishop De Lancey in behalf of the Rev. John B. Colhoun, and the Rev. Charles D. Cooper; from Bishop Whittingham in behalf of the

Rev. Edward C. Jones; from Bishop Doane in behalf the Rev. Dr. Lyons; and from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York in favour of the Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D. D.

Letters of Dismission have been given in behalf of the Rev. J. B. Pradt to the Diocese of Vermont; in behalf of the Rev. Thomas M. Clark to the Diocese of Massachusetts; of the Rev. W. W. Spear to the Diocese of South Carolina; of the Rev. Samuel Rose Meade to the Diocese of New Jersey; and of the Rev. Thomas West to the Diocese of Mississippi. Of the acceptance of the last three of these letters by the Bishops to whom they were addressed, I have not been advised.

The *following Clerical Changes*, in addition to those already noticed, have taken place. The Rev. Mr. Flint has become Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie; the Rev. Dr. Charmichael of Christ Church, Meadville; the Rev. Chas. D. Cooper of St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre; the Rev. Samuel T. Lord, obliged by ill health to retire from the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg, has been succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Marple; and the Rev. Wm. J. Clark removing to Williamsport, has been succeeded in the Rectorship of Bangor Church, Churchtown, by the Rev. Wm. L. Suddards. St. Andrew's in this city has become vacant by the lamented resignation and removal of the Rev. Thomas M. Clark; and St. Andrew's, Springville, Susquehanna co., has become vacant by the withdrawal of the Rev. Mr. Long, who has been induced to give his whole time to the congregations in Montrose and New Milford.

It is also my mournful duty to record the removal by death of two of our presbyters, the Rev. Chas. H. Alden, Chaplain of the Navy of the U. States, and the Rev. E. P. J. Messenger, Missionary on the Western Coast of Africa. Both of these brethren fell victims to the fevers incident to the climates in which they were labouring, and have left behind them, with deep regrets at their early departure, a grateful remembrance of their worth, and a solemn admonition to us who survive, to be also ready.

The present number of Candidates for Orders in this Diocese, is twenty-six, of whom seven have been received during the last year, viz: John K. Murphy, admitted June 8th, 1846; Samuel Cox, Sept. 1st; John Wade Nott, Sept. 1st; Richard S. Trapier,

Jan. 18th, 1847; (received by transfer from Bishop Gadsden,) John M. Goshorn, Feb. 2d; George W. Brown, March 2d; Lester Janes, March 15th. At the request of Thomas G. Rutherford, his name has been erased from the list of Candidates.

The number of Missionaries now employed by the Advancement Society is thirty. Their names and places of officiating are as follows:

Rev. Wm. Adderly, New Brighton, &c., Beaver county.
Rev. Jos. Adderly, Wayne township, Armstrong county.
Rev. Thomas G. Allen, city and county of Philadelphia.
Rev. Charles Breck, Wellsborough, Tioga county.
Rev. Asa S. Colton, Towanda, Bradford county.
Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Alleghany.
Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Whitemarsh.
Rev. G. C. Drake, Schuylkill Haven, and parts adjacent.
Rev. G. A. Durborrow, Fairmount.
Rev. G. G. Field, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county.
Rev. A. C. Foster, Muncy, Lycoming county.
Rev. W. Hilton, Kittanning, Freeport, &c.
Rev. M. Hirst, Minersville, Schuylkill county.
Rev. J. B. Hoffman, Little York.
Rev. G. J. Hopkins, Doylestown.
Rev. N. M. Jones, Uniontown, Fayette county.
Rev. E. Leaf, Pottstown.
Rev. M. C. Lightner, Danville.
Rev. John Long, New Milford and Montrose.
Rev. J. M. Marsden, Christ Church, Adams county.
Rev. E. Mendenhall, Salem, Wayne county.
Rev. T. H. Michell, Waterford, Erie county.
Rev. J. Moorhouse, Southwark.
Rev. B. W. Morris, Sunbury, Northumberland county.
Rev. G. W. Natt, Bellefonte.
Rev. P. Russell, Mauch Chunk.
Rev. T. A. Starkey, Mining region adjacent to Pottsville.
Rev. Wm. White, Butler.
Rev. J. P. Nash, Phœnixville.
Rev. A. Wiltberger, Centreville, Bucks county.

To these should be added as Missionaries under the direction of the Ecclesiastical authority, but not deriving aid from the

Advancement Society, the Rev. Joseph H. Smith of the Calvary Church Mission, Northern Liberties, the Rev. Wm. J. Clark, Missionary at Williamsport, and parts adjacent, and the Rev. Barclay A. Smith, Missionary at Athens, (Bradford co.,) and parts adjacent.

The several religious societies in this Diocese, which have rendered to us and to mankind, such essential service in times past, still continue their useful and unostentatious labours. Among these the Advancement Society, the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, the Female Prayer Book Society, the Episcopal Tract Society, and the Parish Library Association, deserve special mention, as entitled to the generous and united support of the Diocese. During the last year, the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, which has scattered its books without stint, not only throughout the Diocese, but over the whole country and in other lands, found itself obliged to suspend its distribution for want of funds. An appeal was made not only to the congregations of Pennsylvania, but to several of the Bishops and leading Clergymen in other states, and the appeal in some instances was most kindly received and promptly answered. Special acknowledgments are due on this account to the Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, who issued a Pastoral Letter, recommending to his Clergy collections, &c., in aid of the Society, a recommendation which was handsomely complied with. It should be remembered that the sphere of the Society's labour is co-extensive with the country, and in one sense with the world, and those who conduct its affairs justly feel, therefore, that while it has peculiar claims on the Diocese in which its business is conducted, and to which its name must especially endear it, it has a right also to look for aid from every part of the United States. Its means are still much too limited, and I would recommend it, therefore, to the renewed liberality of our parishes, and to the especial remembrance of the Clergy.

The following abstract will exhibit some of the most material results noticed in this report:

Number of Ordinations—Deacons 13, Priests 6, . . .	19
Churches consecrated, ...	2
Corner stones laid, ...	6
Churches materially enlarged and improved, . . .	3

Candidates for Orders received,	8
Sermons preached,	180
Children baptized,	6
Marriages solemnized,	6
Funerals,	3
Clergymen received,	7
Clergymen dismissed,	5
Confirmations throughout the Diocese,	655

The number of confirmations this year is less by two hundred and thirty-nine than those reported last year, owing doubtless to the fact that, all the parishes in the Diocese, except two or three, having been visited during that year, the confirmations reported at this Convention, exhibit for the most part only the candidates that have been collected within twelve months; whereas, those reported at the last Convention exhibited in respect to a large proportion of the parishes, all the candidates collected within the space of two, and in some instances of three years. It is also to be observed that about twenty parishes have not been included within the visitations of the present year. The number, therefore, for this year, when considered in connection with these facts, must be regarded as encouraging, though it is small when we compare it with the number of those who attend our ministrations, and with the interest which they ought to take in the things that belong to their eternal peace. Their remissness ought not, however, to be hastily imputed to their pastors. A large proportion of the Clergy of this Diocese are faithful in warning every man and teaching every man—but the word falls on hearts too much pre-occupied with the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches, to bring forth its appropriate fruit. A season of general prosperity, such as visits our land at present, is a season of fiery trial even to faithful christians, much more to those whose vows have not been given to the Saviour in confirmation and at communion. It is a period, therefore, which calls for redoubled zeal and diligence on the part of the Clergy. With the wisdom of the serpent they should discern the dangers which threaten their flocks, and search for the best means of counteracting them, and with all simplicity and gentleness, yet with all faithfulness, they should by doctrine and life—by precept and example, endeavour to win the im-

mortal souls committed to their care, from the love of the world and from that engrossing pursuit of terrestrial good which is so apt to pierce men through with many sorrows. It is a time, too, when the general infection of a worldly spirit is apt to reach even our hearts, who minister in holy things, and it calls therefore on our part for special vigilance, self-distrust and prayer.

It is my intention to include as large a portion of the parishes as possible, within the visitations of each year. Not less than six-sevenths of our people who have not yet been confirmed will probably have an opportunity of approaching that rite once in every twelve months. It is my wish at present to leave with the Rector of each parish an unfettered discretion in regard to the question whether Confirmation shall be administered at any particular visit I make. Confirmation being a renewal of baptismal vows ought not to be approached except by those who are in a proper state to receive adult baptism, and I presume few will doubt that that Sacrament ought to be administered only to those who are firmly purposed to lead a religious life, and to separate themselves from the sinful practices and corrupting vanities of the world. Hence I should deprecate any influence applied by Pastors to the young or to other members of their flocks, to induce them to come to Confirmation, except that rite be distinctly presented, to the careless and worldly as the beginning of a life of godliness, and to the serious-minded as a means of strengthening them in their determination to be the Lord's. Two extremes as it seems to me ought to be guarded against—the one is that of urging persons to Confirmation who are not decidedly serious, or who are imperfectly instructed in regard to the nature of the vows which they ratify, and the obligations which as Christians they assume;—the other is that of neglecting to extend the invitation, and to afford the instruction, which the Church requires whenever the Bishop gives notice of his intention to visit a parish. On such notice being duly given, it is made the duty of the Minister of the parish (Canon 26, of General Convention in 1832, and Canon 11th of the Church in this Diocese,) to communicate the same to the members individually of his congregation or congregations as soon as opportunity offers, and also to publish it to such congregation or congregations on their first meeting thereafter for

public worship. And the Canon of this Diocese farther directs that he shall also on said occasion of public worship *invite the children of due age, and others not confirmed, to advise with him concerning their coming to that holy ordinance, and he shall diligently and faithfully prepare them for the same;* and he shall be ready to present for Confirmation those who shall have been previously instructed and prepared."—The wisdom of this provision is obvious, and my brethren of the clergy will discern the advantage of conforming to its provisions. It affords annually in most parishes a distinct occasion for dealing with the young in respect to their baptismal vows, and at the same time makes it the pastor's special right and duty to call upon the impenitent of every age to consider their ways. It also gives an opportunity always to be valued of collecting those together who most need religious instruction and influence, and of conducting them through a course of thorough training, subjecting their consciences and hearts to frequent and faithful appeals in private as well as in public. While then I would discourage all except the most thorough preparation of heart for confirmation, I would earnestly recommend to the Clergy to omit, on no such occasion, the attempt, to engage the young in a closer and more serious consideration of their peculiar duties and privileges, and to impress on all the necessity of giving themselves at once, and with all their hearts to the Lord. It is a gratifying fact that in a large proportion of the parishes of this Diocese, most of the persons confirmed soon become communicants. I refer to this as evidence that there is an increasing disposition to recognize the solemnity of the rite, and the necessity of a spiritual preparation for receiving it.

I had occasion in my last address to call the attention of the Diocese to the provisions, which had just been made, to secure to the sons of Churchmen a superior classical training, in connection with proper religious culture. The Episcopal Academy in this city under the care of the Rev. Dr. Hare, had then just been opened. The anticipations entertained of its usefulness have been more than realized. Its numbers have increased beyond expectation, and its discipline and course of instruction are worthy of all praise. In its influence generally, and especially in its care of the manners, morals and religious principles of the

young, it vindicates its claims to the confidence of all the members of our Church; and having occasion frequently myself to visit the school, I feel the greater assurance in recommending it to general favour.

I have the like satisfaction in referring to the Diocesan School at West Chester, under the care of Mr. Bolmar, aided by the Rev. Mr. Claxton, who has charge of the religious instruction of the pupils. The discipline of the Institution is honorably distinguished for its precision and steadiness, and for its tendency to impart habits of order and regularity, with a manly tone of feeling and deportment. The introduction of religious instruction has been attended with the happiest results; the number of pupils in attendance is rapidly increasing, and the only apprehension now is that the accommodations of the establishment will soon be inadequate.

To these provisions for the education of boys, I am happy to state that provisions hardly less ample have lately been added for the proper training of the daughters of our people. Three female schools have been opened this spring, entitled to the confidence and patronage of parents in this Diocese, and throughout the country. Intellectual training will be combined with moral and religious culture on the principles of the Church, and with a system of discipline which will studiously cherish the delicacy and graces of the female character, while it will impart tone and vigour to the moral and active powers, and sobriety to the views of life. These schools are situated, one near Germantown within about twenty minutes ride by railroad from the city; one at Aston Ridge, Delaware county, in a beautiful position, overlooking the Delaware, and about four miles from Old Chester; and a third in the village of West Chester, so long noted for its schools. With the organization of the first of these, I have been personally concerned, and I have great confidence in the capabilities of the estimable and judicious ladies, who have been entrusted with the charge of it. The others are not less entitled to consideration; each presents advantages peculiar to itself; and each is likely to have faithful and efficient supervision. The Diocese will be able to supply them all with adequate patronage, and if they meet the expectations of their

friends in respect to their character and usefulness, I feel every assurance that that patronage will not be withheld.

I cannot dismiss the subject of scholastic education for our children, without expressing my hope, that an interest in the Institutions just mentioned will not lessen our solicitude for the support and improvement of the Common Schools of the State. Pennsylvania is now engaged in a noble effort to supply every child within her limits with the means of elementary instruction; and the success of that effort must be a cherished object with all who would see our civil institutions properly administered, or the claims of Christianity in general, and of our own Church in particular, properly appreciated. The friends of sober piety and and of primitive Apostolic truth, have everything to hope and nothing to fear from the spread of intelligence among the people; and that is an end which can be secured, in the first instance, only by a general system of schools, aided by the bounty of the state, and subjected to one plan of supervision. Where there are diversities of language and religious faith, and where large masses of population are unconnected with any religious body; experience has shown that education cannot become general without the intervention of a central authority, which can at once foster, concentrate, and direct the awakening interest in schools. In this country, that authority must leave to the people in the respective districts the details of school government, insisting only on a certain standard of mental and moral qualification in the teachers, and a certain amount of time to be employed in communicating instruction. In such a country, too, *specific religious* instruction must be communicated to the pupils of *common* schools principally through the agency of parents, Sunday Schools and Pastors. As these schools are attended almost exclusively by day scholars it can be given to them chiefly at home, and in connection with their respective parishes; or it might, as in some countries of Europe, be imparted in school, at certain prescribed times, by the respective clergymen who have charge of the families to which children in attendance belong. No difficulty on this subject ought, I conceive, to endanger the paramount object of bringing the neglected children of indigence, of vice, and of sordid indifference under

the benign influence of those who can teach them much, if not everything; and who in proportion as they open their understandings, and raise their tastes, will only prepare them the better for that religious culture which otherwise they might never have attained. It should be considered, too, that most of the children taught in our common schools, can never enjoy the advantages of such seminaries as we have in connection with our Church, and if educated at all must be educated near their own homes, and at rates made sufficiently low by the united contributions of the holders of property, who for all they contribute to schools, will receive abundant return in the diminution of taxes, and in the increased security of their persons and estates.

I have thus noticed the most material facts connected with the affairs of the Diocese. On the whole our condition seems to be encouraging, although as in every thing human, there is vast room for improvement. Some of the most obvious of our existing evils will yield I trust, before the earnest prayers and the judicious and persevering labours of those whose hearts and hands are devoted to Christ's service. But it must be remembered that other evils will from time to time arise, and that while in these tabernacles of frail humanity, we can never hope to witness any institution perfectly administered, nor expect to be released from the stern but salutary necessity of warring with difficuties and abuses. We are favoured with a laborious and self-denying body of Clergy, inadequately supported in many instances, but devoting themselves for the most part with exemplary zeal to their Master's work. I cannot but hope, that there will be among the people an increasing sense of the value of their labours, and an increasing disposition to provide for their personal comfort and for that of their families. But a very slight addition to the contributions of each worshipper, would form in many parishes an aggregate, which would add most materially to the comfort and independence of the Pastor, and would relieve him from many anxious and desponding thoughts. The ministry faithfully followed, must, under almost any circumstances, be a life of toil and sacrifice. It is best for us who bear it, that it should be so, but it is not well either for him who serves at the altar, nor for them who benefit of his serving, that the burden should be heavier than can well be borne by even a patient and

faithful heart;—least of all, that it should be made heavier or more galling by the neglect of those who should be our helpers and our joy. Slight attentions from the members of a flock to their pastor, do much to cheer him in his solitary and public labours, and tend to strengthen those ties which are now too easily and too frequently ruptured. Parishes cannot well flourish in the truest and highest sense, where the minister is changed once in every two or three years; and many of these changes would become unnecessary, if a little more care were bestowed upon the duty, First, of making a clergyman's salary sufficient for his absolute wants, and Secondly, of securing its prompt payment when due. On the other hand it is not to be forgotten that in proportion as a clergyman is faithful and devoted in advancing the welfare of his flock, he is likely in the same proportion to be the object of thoughtful and generous consideration in their arrangements for his support.

It has been my melancholy duty to record the displacement of one Clergyman of this Diocese, during the last year, in consequence of his having exchanged his relations to this Church for membership in the Church of Rome. I have no desire to indulge in any unkind reflections either towards him or towards the religious body with which he has become connected. To their own Master they stand or fall. But I trust I may, without impropriety, refer to this event as a reason for renewing my dissuasive from speculations, which though begun, sometimes, in thoughtlessness, and sometimes in an overfond pursuit of what calls itself Catholic, is but too apt to terminate in rejecting the very first principles of true Catholicism. I rejoice in the assurance that there is in this Diocese a prevailing and deep feeling of allegiance to the Church as it is, in its liturgy, its government, and its articles. This allegiance will continue unimpaired, and will grow into a yet more controlling sentiment, if we allow the provisions which our Church has made for the edification of its members, and for the conversion of sinners, to work themselves out in a moderate and judicious manner. At such a time we must, as it seems to me, be content to recognize practically the broad and comprehensive principles on which the Reformation and re-organization of the Anglican Church were conducted, and thus be tolerant of diversities in doctrine and practice which

have always prevailed, and which are not likely to disappear, except before the fires of a ruthless intolerance. We must recognize also that wise reference, as well to the principles of Scripture as to the condition and institutions of our own country, which governed the founders of our American Church in their revision of the Prayer Book, and in their code of ecclesiastical law. We must be willing to leave to Churches more superstitious, and as we believe less pure,—usages, which, though they may have the sanction of antiquity, are inconsistent with that simplicity which we have been taught to love; or which having been made directly subservient to gross errors, or, having become inseparably associated with such errors in the minds of a large portion of the Christian world, were on that account wisely laid aside by the early Reformers. We must strive after so much uniformity, even in externals, as will exhibit the unity and decorum of our system, shunning the extreme of pomp and pageantry on the one hand, and of slovenly negligence on the other. We must multiply the means of grace in public, but without withdrawing our people from the indispensable duties of the closet and of the family altar. We must encourage reverence for the Sacraments, but not at the expense of reverence for that ordinance of preaching Christ and him crucified, which has been the great instrument of winning souls to God. We must endeavour to draw deference and affectionate regard towards our office and our persons, rather by our zeal and engagedness, than by doubtful theories of priestly authority. We must be willing to admit the indefeasible right to think, which pertains to every human being, while we combine with the admission of that right, clear views of the fearful responsibility which attaches to all who wantonly abuse it. We must cultivate gladly in our people the disposition for which the Apostle commended the Berean christians, and on account of which he pronounced them noble—the disposition to search diligently the Scriptures of eternal truth, and to search them that they may learn whether the instructions which issue from our lips are in conformity with the mind of the Spirit. At the same time we must endeavour to train them up in a dutiful reverence for the authority and requirements of the Church to which they belong, and urge them constantly, that avoiding foolish and unlearned questions, they

endeavour to give full effect to her admirable provisions for the training of the young and for the instruction and improvement of their own souls, neglecting none of her clear directions for the observance of the greater festivals, for the catechising of children, and for the due and decent administration of her worship and offices.

In conclusion, Brethren, I ask your prayers that God's grace and blessing may be poured out upon us, that Wisdom from above may preside over the deliberations in which we are about to engage, that all who profess and call themselves Christians, may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life; and that through His Spirit vouchsafed in aid of the preaching of the word, God's ways may soon be known throughout the earth, His saving health among all nations.

A. POTTER.

Philadelphia, May 19*th*, 1847.

The Bishop handed to the Secretary the list of Candidates for Holy Orders, in the Diocese, which is as follows:

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, May 19th, 1847:

Robert Phipps—since February 7th, 1843.
John W. Shackelford—since May 2d, 1843.
William F. Bryant—since April 2d, 1844.
Robert J. Parvin—since May 21st, 1844.
Richard B. Tschudy—since October 1st, 1844.
Cadwallader C. Hoffman—since April 1st, 1845.
Jacob Rambo—since April 1st, 1845.
Archibald Beatty—since April 1st, 1845.
Joel Rudderow—since July 9th, 1845.
Benjamin J. Douglass—since July 12th, 1845.
Daniel S. Miller—since July 23d, 1845.
Francis C. Clements—since September 19th, 1845.
Robert Bakewell—since September 19th, 1845.
R. Ralston Cox—since September 29th, 1845.
Samuel Randall—since November 4th, 1845.
Francis J. Warner—since November 4th, 1845.
Frederick S. Wileys—since December 2d, 1845.

John A. Merrick—since March 4th, 1846.
William B. Musgrave—since April 7th, 1846.
John T. Murphy—since June 8th, 1846.
Samuel Cox—since September 1st, 1846.
John Wade Nott—since September 1st, 1846.
Richard S. Trapier—since January 18th, 1847.
John M. Goshorn—since February 2d, 1847.
George W. Brown—since March 2d, 1847.
Lester Janes—since March 15th, 1847.

Total 26.

A. POTTER.

Philadelphia, May 19th, 1847.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bull, the Convention took a recess of 15 minutes, preparatory to the Election of officers. The Convention reassembled after the recess: and proceeded to vote for Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. The Rev. Messrs. Ogilby, Clark, Claxton and Buchanan were appointed by the Bishop, Tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Messrs. Toland, Peacock, Hoskins and Burnside, Tellers, to receive the votes of the Lay Representations. While the Tellers were engaged in counting the votes, the Secretary reported, that there were 79 Clergymen present in Convention, and 71 Lay Representations.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, a Committee on unfinished business was appointed. The Chair nominated the Rev. Dr. Ducachet and the Rev. Mr. Shannon, as the Committee.

Mr. Meredith moved to postpone the order of the day with reference to the election of Delegates to the General Convention; and that the said election be made the order for to-morrow at half past twelve o'clock, and that nominations of candidates be received forthwith, and also immediately after morning prayer to-morrow. Which was carried—and thereupon the following nominations were made, viz.:

Rev. Dr. Dorr,	Rev. Dr. Boyd,
" " Bull,	" " Morton,
" " Bowman,	" " Ducachet,
" " Upfold,	Rev. Mr. Newton,
" " Morgan,	" " Neville,

Rev. Mr. Preston,
" " Kerr,
" " Michell,
" " Fowles,
Hon. J. M. Conyngham,
" A. L. Hayes,
" J. R. Ingersoll,
Mr. Purviance,
" I. Hazelhurst,
Mr. J. S. Richards,
" Geo. Hogg,
" Ashurst,
" H. Reed,
" G. M. Stroud,
" H. Cope,
" G. M. Wharton, and
" T. Robins.

The Tellers appointed to receive the votes of the Clergy and of the Lay Representations for members of the Standing Committee, reported, that 79 Clergymen and 71 Churches had voted, and that the following votes had been cast for the persons hereafter named, viz:

	Votes of the Clergy.	Votes of the Lay Representations.
Rev. Mr. Howe, - - -	54	42
" Dr. Morton, - - -	51	61
" " Clay, - - -	55	60
" Mr. Suddards, - -	51	45
" Newton, - - -	46	32
" Dr. Dorr, - - -	35	39
" Mr. Kerr, - - -	39	34
" " Maxwell, - -	17	7
" Dr. Hare, - - -	7	11
" Mr. Odenheimer, - -	8	11
" " Harrris, - - -	3	2
" Dr. Boyd, - - -	2	1
" " Coleman, - -	4	3
" Mr. Ogilby - - -	3	3
" " Ridgeley, - -	3	
" " Van Pelt, - -	2	
" " Brincklé, - -	2	
" " Fowles, - - -	1	
" Dr. Ducachet, - -	2	
Mr. Thos. Robins, - - -	77	70
" R. S. Smith, - - -	74	69
" G. M. Wharton, - -	37	40
" J. S. Newbold, - -	36	38

	Vote of the Clergy.	Vote of the Lay Representations.
Mr. Wm. Musgrave, - -	36	37
" Thos. M. Pettit, - -	40	32
" Lewis R. Ashurst, - -	43	32
" A. G. Coffin, - - -	43	31

The Bishop thereupon announced, that the Rev. Messrs. Morton, Clay, Howe and Suddards, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Robins and R. S. Smith of the Laity, had been duly elected members of the Standing Committee, and that no one of the other persons voted for, had received the constitutional majority of the votes of the Clergy and Lay Representations.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Suddards, it was Resolved, that the Convention proceed to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, to vote for one Clerical and three Lay members of the Standing Committee.

The Convention then, on motion adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Thursday, May 20, *A. D.* 1847, 9 *o'clock, A. M.*

The Convention met at the call of the Bishop, who opened the meeting with appropriate collects. After roll-call the minutes of yesterday, P. M. were read and approved.

Rev. Messrs. Quinan, Maxwell, and Enos Woodward, appeared and took their seats, and Messrs. Geo. Fox, C. W. Harrison, Jenks, C. Morris, J. P. Donaldson, Plank, Pettibone, J. P. Rutter, Thos. Wood and C. Pearce, Lay Deputies, entitled to seats, answered to their names and took their seats.

The Rev. Mr. Wiltberger moved to insert the name of Saml. G. Slack in the place of Peter V. Bayley, in the certificate of the Deputies from St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville, the latter name having been inserted by mistake. The motion was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet, from the Committee on unfinished business, presented the following Report:

The Committee on unfinished business report, that they find upon the Journal of the Convention of last year, several important matters which remain to be acted upon. 1. The question

of the proviso to the third clause of the IVth article of the constitution, respecting the qualifications of Lay Deputies, remains to be settled (see p. 42, Journal of 1846.)

2. The resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Cooley respecting the formation of a church building society, referred last year to a committee, (p. 50,) Dr. Ducachet being chairman.

3. The resolution presented by the Dr. Coleman, touching the admission to Deacon's orders of certain persons, as provided for by the 6th Canon of the General Convention of 1844, that Rev. gentleman being the chairman of the Committee to which the business was referred. (p. 50.)

4. Certain proposed amendments to the constitution offered by the Rev. J. W. Hoffman. (p. 53.)

5. The report of the Committee on the state of the Church, appointed under the 17th diocesan Canon, Mr. Suddards being the chairman. (p. 54.)

6. The Rev. Dr. Boyd's proposed Canon, p. 52, Dr. Ducachet being the chairman of the Committee having that matter in charge.

H. W. Ducachet, Chairman, &c.
O. Evans Shannon.

Phila., May 20th, 1847.

The Rev. Dr. Dorr, President of the Standing Committee, laid on the table the Articles of Association of the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia co., as approved by the Bishop and Standing Committee, and on motion, the same were referred to the Committee on Charters.

The Convention proceeded, according to the order of yesterday, to vote for the remaining members of the Standing Committee. The Clerical Tellers the same as yesterday. The Lay Tellers being Messrs. Hoskins, Stavely, Lewis and Burnside.

While the Tellers were engaged in receiving and counting the votes, the Rev. Dr. Ducachet presented the following report:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider and report upon the 20th Canon, proposed by the Rev. Dr. Boyd, (the minute of which appears on the 52d and 53d pages of the Journal of 1846,) respectfully report, that they have given the subject their consideration; and that after consulting with the Right Reverend the Bishop, (as instructed by the Conven-

tion,) they have come to the conclusion that any action in the matter is, at the present time, inexpedient and unnecessary. It is a subject which, it seems to them, belongs more properly to the General Convention than to this body. Any Canon which the General Convention may pass in relation to it, will accomplish the object in view much more effectually than any law which might be enacted by us. And, it is expected on good grounds, that the matter will be submitted to that higher judicatory of the church.

They, therefore, respectfully ask to be discharged. Signed in behalf of the Committee.

H. W. Ducachet, Chairman.

Philada., May 19th, 1847.

The Committee was, on motion, discharged.

He also presented the following:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution offered at the last Convention, respecting the formation of a church building society, (p. 50 of Journal of 1846) beg leave respectfully to report, that they are unanimously of opinion that the object contemplated by that resolution is highly important, and its accomplishment greatly desirable. It is, however, a very intricate subject, and one encumbered with difficulties. And, as they were not instructed to report any plan for carrying the design into effect, they have not felt themselves authorized to do so. They, therefore, have thought it best, with this expression of opinion, to leave the subject to the wisdom of the Convention, that the whole matter may be discussed and settled by the body itself. Should the Convention deem it proper to give them instructions as to the leading features and principles upon which they desire the society to be formed, they will cheerfully endeavour to report a scheme in accordance with the instructions they may receive. Otherwise they respectfully beg to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted, and signed by order, and in behalf of the Committee.

Henry W. Ducachet, Chairman.

Philadelphia, May 19th, 1847.

This Committee was also discharged.

The Rev. Mr. Cooley offered the following Resolutions:

Whereas, the deficiency of church accommodation is so great and so rapidly increasing as to demand for its adequate supply, far more enlarged vigorous and energetic efforts than can possibly be made, except by means of a society which shall enlist the feelings, enjoy the confidence, and call forth the liberality of the church generally throughout the Diocese.

And whereas, the work of building the church in its waste and destitute places seems most properly to belong to the Diocese in its collective capacity; on the principle that if one member suffer, the whole body suffers with it, and that the strong should help to bear the infirmities of the weak; and also, that if the Diocese do not in some systematic and authorized way perform this its legitimate work; all experience shows that it will in a great measure be left undone.

And whereas, if a society be once established, irregular and irresponsible efforts for obtaining aid towards church building will be superseded, and those who feel constrained to ask, will know how, and when, and where, and to whom to apply; and those who have to give will be assured that their contributions are to be appropriated not to gratify a few interested individuals, but rather by the Church's Chosen Head and Council, to build up her most destitute and needy places in the Diocese. Whereas, the time and money now spent, and the unpleasantness now sometimes experienced by applicants for aid to build Churches, will be avoided; and the Layman, instead of being interrupted in his hours of business by numerous applicants, the nature of whose claims he does not understand, will be freed from the perplexity, and have opened for him a channel for his contributions to this object, worthy of his fullest confidence and largest liberality.

And whereas, experience, always the best teacher in such matters, has shown conclusively by the very great success which has attended the church building societies in England, and in some parts of our own country; the vast importance of associated, authorized and well defined action for the accomplishment of this particular object.

Therefore Resolved, 1st. That with a view of bringing this matter fairly and fully before the Diocese, and testing the expediency of forming a church building society therein; a Commit-

tee of three Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to frame a scheme for the accomplishment of said object, and report the same to this Convention to be published in the Journal, and called up for definite action at the next Convention.

Resolved, 2d. That the same committee be instructed to report to the next Convention, the facts bearing on the case as reasons for the formation of the society, contemplated and set forth in the scheme.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Cooley, the foregoing Resolutions were laid on the table.

The Rev. Mr. Suddards presented the following Report:

The Committee on the state of the Church respectfully report,

That immediately after the last Convention, the reports of the parishes for the previous year were placed in their hands. From these reports they prepared a statistical view of the condition of the Diocese, which was published in tabular form in the Appendix of the Journal.

The Committee have pleasure in enumerating some of the facts which these reports in connection with the address of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, present for the consideration of the Convention.

The list of Clergy may be distributed as follows:—There are 90 in actual parish work; 2 Chaplains in the Navy; 6 Professors in Colleges or Seminaries; 5 Instructors of youth without cure of souls; 13, (including the sick,) without pastoral charge. Two reside out of the Diocese. There are six, if not more, who are obliged to connect the work of school teaching, with the numerous and pressing cares of the parish minister.

In the contribution of $43,488 by 82 parishes, for benevolent and Christian objects—In the erection of four new Churches, and the commencement of a fifth, in which God's holy name may be worshipped in truth and purity through all generations.—In the admission of four young men to the order of Deacons, and a like number to the rank of Presbyters; your Committee cannot but recognize the hand and blessing of Him who enlargeth our borders.

In the aggregate return of 8414 communicants from 90 parishes, leaving 26 unreported;—In the baptism of 245 adults and 1508 infants; In the confirmation of 894 persons who had

arrived at a sufficient age, and as is presumed to a right state of heart and mind, to ratify and confirm the baptismal covenant; your Committee see abundant cause to draw forth devout thanksgiving for past blessing, and excite the liveliest hope for the future.

The addition of 13 candidates for Holy Orders, making a total of 32, who are being trained within our ecclesiastical borders for the work of the ministry;—The invigorated action which has been given to the Protestant Episcopal Academy in Philadelphia, under the efficient scholarship and paternal kindness of the Rev. Dr. Hare, its Principal,—and the opening of a Diocesan Boarding School at West Chester under the charge of Anthony Bolmar, Esq., long known as one of our most distinguished teachers, give bright promise of better days for the training of the children of the Church.

The Committee would respectfully suggest, that the Convention adopt a more efficient mode than at present exists for securing annual reports from parishes. This suggestion refers especially to country parishes, which may be destitute of Rectors at the time of the meeting of the Convention.

The Committee would also recommend, that all the parochial reports be made on the printed forms furnished by the Secretary; a compliance with this rule would greatly facilitate the effort to secure a correct tabular statement of the entire Diocese.

All which is respectfully submitted by the Committee.

WM. SUDDARDS, Chairman.

Phila., May 19, 1847.

The Rev. Dr. Bowman read the following Report.

The Committee to whom was referred, by the last Convention,* certain proposed changes in the 4th Article of the constitution of the Church in this Diocese have considered the same, and now beg leave respectfully to Report:

That the effect of the proposed changes will be, to exclude from a seat in this Body, all ministers of the Order of Deacons—all clergymen of whatever order, engaged in teaching in institutions of learning, not under the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese—and also to take from Parishes, having no Rector, at the time of the election, the right of sending delegates here.

* See pp. 53 and 54, Journal of 1846.

The committee do not intend to argue the various questions, suggested by the proposed alterations: nor do they feel called upon to express an opinion, as to the possibility of devising any rule touching membership in this body, more in accordance with sound ecclesiastical principles, and the usages of ancient times.

The committee feel sensibly indeed, the difficulty of adopting any standard of qualification for membership here, which will be wholly unexceptionable, or which may not, in certain cases, operate unequally or oppressively. They do not doubt, that particular instances of hardship, may have occurred, or are liable to occur, under the existing constitution: Yet they are by no means satisfied that any rule could be adopted, that would not admit of as great or similar evils.

Whatever objections therefore, whether of a theoretical or practical kind, may be urged against the constitution as it is, it has, on the whole operated so beneficially, for a long course of years, as to make it, in the judgment of your committee, inexpedient and unwise, at this time to change or disturb it. We know the results of the present provisions of the constitution: But we cannot know, what would come of the proposed alterations: All history however, is full of instruction as to the mischief and hazard of change in things long settled and established.

The committee are therefore unable to recommend the adoption of the proposed changes, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On behalf of the Committee,
S. Bowman, Chairman.

May 19, 1847.

The Committee was, on motion, discharged.

The Rev. Dr. Coleman presented the following Report.

The Committee to whom was referred by the last Convention the propriety of requesting the Bishop of this diocese to admit persons to the holy order of Deacons, under the provisions of the 6th canon of the General Convention of 1844, respectfully report:—

That they have duly considered the important subject submitted to them, and are unanimously of opinion that it is expedient to make such request.

It was long since the declared wish of the wise and venerable Bishop White, "that matters were brought to the condition, in which there would be some deacons not intending to be priests;" and it is believed that this wish would apply much more to the exigencies of the Church at the present day. Feeling the importance of further provision in relation to deacons, the last General Convention of the Church, with great unanimity, passed a canon, making it lawful for any Bishop, upon being requested so to do by a resolution of the Convention of his diocese, to admit to the order of Deacons, under certain restrictions, persons with qualifications inferior to those hitherto demanded. This canon so carefully guards against any evils which might be apprehended, that your committee can see no hazard in the passage of the resolution necessary to render its provisions available; but believe that it may be safely left to the Bishop's prudence, who, it is presumed, will only exercise the discretionary power vested in him in cases of evident and urgent necessity.—In his primary Address to the last annual Convention of this diocese, he thus referred to the subject:—

"The Deacons contemplated in this canon, are not in any case to have charge of parishes, and can be ordained Presbyters only when they have completed the studies and passed the examinations prescribed in other canons, both for Deacons and for Priests. In officiating and performing other duties, they are to be under the direction of the Rector within whose parish they labour; and they are not to have seats in any convention, nor be made the basis of any representation in the management of the concerns of the Church. I have not been able to satisfy myself how far officers sustaining such a relation to the Church and its clergy are likely to be useful in the present state of society in this commonwealth. That some aid for the clergy in our larger parishes, and especially in cities, is much to be desired, is certain; and it is not impossible that this aid might be effectively rendered by Deacons, such as are provided for in this canon."

In accordance with the canonical provision, your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, that the Right Rev. the Bishop of the diocese be, and hereby is, respectfully requested by this convention, to admit to the holy order of Deacons, from time to time, as circum-

stances may seem to render it expedient, such persons as may apply for the same under Canon VI. of the General Convention of 1844; and who shall, to his satisfaction, and to that of the Standing Committee of the diocese, comply with the requirements of said Canon.

JOHN COLEMAN.
EDWARD Y. BUCHANAN.
THOMAS ROBINS.
RICHARD S. SMITH.

The Rev. Thomas H. Clark, though concurring in opinion with the committee, having since removed from the diocese, his name is not appended to the above Report. J. C.

Philadelphia, May 18, 1847.

The Resolution attached to the Report, being again read and before the House, Mr. J. S. Smith moved that the same be made the order of the day for this afternoon at half past five o'clock, which motion was carried.

The Clerical Tellers made the following Report: [*See p.* 52.]

Clerical votes, 74. Present in Convention, 81. Necessary to a choice, 41.

Rev. Richard Newton,	39	A. G. Coffin,	38
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	34	George M. Wharton,	35
" John J. Kerr,	1	James S. Newbold,	34
Thomas M. Pettit,	40	Wm. Musgrave,	35
L. R. Ashurst,	40		

The Lay Tellers presented the following Report:

Lay delegations voting, 66. Present in Convention, 71. Necessary to a choice, 36.

Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	33	Thomas M. Pettit,	30
" Richard Newton,	32	L. R. Ashhurst,	30
" G. E. Hare,	1	A. G. Coffin,	30
George M. Wharton,	37	Dr. C. Morris,	2
James S. Newbold,	35	William Welsh,	1
William Musgrave,	34		

The Bishop announced that no one of the persons voted for, had received the requisite majority—and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the Convention proceeded to another ballot, the same persons acting as Tellers.

The Tellers presented the following Report:

Clerical Tellers.

Clerical votes, 76,		Necessary to a choice, 41.	
Rev. Richard Newton,	41	George M. Wharton,	38
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	35	Wm. Musgrave,	37
Thomas M. Pettit,	38	J. S. Newbold,	36
L. R. Ashhurst,	40	Thomas Robins,	1
A. G. Coffin,	38		

Lay Tellers.

Lay delegations voting, 67,		Necessary to a choice, 35.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	34	Thomas M. Pettit,	31
" Richard Newton,	32	L. R. Ashhurst,	30
" G. E. Hare,	1	A. G. Coffin,	29
George M. Wharton,	39	Dr. C. Morris,	2
J. S. Newbold,	36	William Welsh,	1
William Musgrave,	33		

No one of the persons voted for having received the requisite majority of votes—the Convention, on motion of Rev. Mr. Suddards, proceeded to another ballot, with the same Tellers.

The Rev. Dr. Upfold presented the following Report:

The Committee on Charters respectfully report, that they have examined the Charters of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, Bucks County; The Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond; The Church of the Atonement; and the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia County; and Christ Church, Williamsport, Lycoming County; and have found them in accordance with the Constitution and Canons. They therefore submit the following resolution:—

Resolved, that St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, Bucks County, The Churches of the Messiah, of the Atonement, and of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia County, and Christ Church, Williamsport, Lycoming County, be, and they are hereby admitted into union with this Convention.

In behalf of the Committee,

GEORGE UPFOLD, Chairman.

The Resolution attached to the Report was adopted.

The Clerical Tellers made the following Report: [*See p.* 60.]

Clerical votes, 77.		Necessary to a choice, 41.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	37	James S. Newbold,	37
" Richard Newton,	40	Wm. Musgrave,	38
Thomas M. Pettit,	39	L. R. Ashhurst,	40
George M. Wharton,	39	A. G. Coffin,	38

The Lay Tellers reported as follows:

Lay delegations voting, 55.		Necessary to a choice, 36.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	29	Wm. Musgrave,	28
" Richard Newton,	34	Thomas M. Pettit,	32
" G. E. Hare,	1	L. R. Ashhurst,	30
George M. Wharton,	37	A. G. Coffin,	30
James S. Newbold,	32	William Welsh,	2

The Bishop announced that there was no choice.

The order of the day being temporarily postponed—On motion of Mr. G. M. Wharton, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that the thanks of the Convention be presented to the Rev. Mr. Stem, for his earnest and impressive sermon delivered yesterday.

Mr. Robins offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that until the next stated Convention, the actual expenses of the Bishop upon his Episcopal visitations, be paid out of the Convention Fund—provided that the amount so paid does not exceed the sum of $350.

He also proposed the following:

Resolved, that $300 be appropriated toward the payment of mileage—to the Rectors of such Churches as have made contributions to the Convention Fund, for the past year, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same to such Clergymen as make application, pro rata according to their actual expenses.

Which, after discussion, was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved to postpone indefinitely the further balloting for members of the Standing Committee.

Judge Lewis offered the following Resolution as a substitute for the motion of Rev. Dr. Ducachet.

Resolved, that in all elections hereafter to be held, the person

or persons receiving a majority of the whole number of votes cast by each order at such election, shall be declared duly elected.

Mr. James S. Smith offered the following as an amendment to the foregoing—which was accepted as a modification by Judge Lewis.

Provided, that such elections at subsequent Conventions, shall be held at five o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of the session.

Mr. Wright moved to refer the Resolution and the Amendment to a select Committee, to report thereon this afternoon,—which was not agreed to.

The order of the day being postponed on motion—The question on Judge Lewis' resolution as modified, was called for by orders—it was so taken, and resulted as follows:

Ayes.

Rev. T. G. Allen,	Rev. Marmaduke Hirst,
" Breed Batcheller,	" Benjamin S. Huntington,
" Samuel Bowman, D. D.	" John J. Kerr,
" George Boyd, D. D.	" George Kirke,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	" Edmund Leaf,
" Levi Bull, D. D.	" John Long,
" William J. Clark,	" John Gordon Maxwell,
" Robert B. Claxton,	" Edwin Mendenhall,
" John B. Clemson,	" Tobias H. Michell, M. D.
" J. Howland Coit,	" George Mintzer,
" Asa S. Colton,	" Richard U. Morgan, D.D.
" Samuel Cowell,	" J. P. Nash,
" Jacob M. Douglass,	" Edmund Neville,
" George C. Drake,	" Richard Newton,
" Heman Dyer, D. D.	" William S. Perkins,
" George G. Field,	" William Preston,
" C. A. Foster,	" Thomas H. Quinan,
" J. A. Fowles,	" Greenbury W. Ridgely,
" Richard D. Hall,	" Peter Russell,
" Anson G. Hard,	" Owen Evans Shannon,
" G. Emlen Hare, D. D.	" George Sheets,
" Samuel Hazelhurst,	" Nathan Stem,
" Henry T. Hiester,	" K. J. Stewart,
" William Hilton,	" William Suddards,

Rev. Henry Tullidge,
" Peter Van Pelt,
" John A. Vaughan, D.D.
" Christian Wiltberger,
Rev. Enos Woodward,
" W. H. Woodward,
Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D.
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Noes.

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley,
" William H. Bourns,
" Edward Y. Buchanan,
" Jehu C. Clay, D. D.
" John Coleman, D. D.
" William C. Cooley,
" William N. Diehl,
" Benjamin Dorr, D. D.
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.
" Geo. E. Durborow,
" John W. Hoffman,
" George P. Hopkins,
" Milton C. Lightner,
Rev. Samuel T. Lord,
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" George W. Natt,
" William H. Odenheimer,
" Frederick Ogilby,
" Azariah Prior,
" John Rodney,
" Joshua M. Rogers,
" Richard Smith,
" George Upfold, D. D.
" William White,
" Thomas C. Yarnall.
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Ayes.

St. Andrew's ch., Pittsburg,
St. Thomas' ch., Morgantown,
St. James the Greater's ch.,
St. Luke's church, Newtown,
St. Andrew's ch., Yardleyville,
Grace church, Hulmeville,
Trinity church, Centreville,
St. John's church, Bellefonte,
St. John's ch. N. London to'p,
St. Mary's ch., Warwick to'p.,
St. Peter's ch., Great Valley,
St. John's church, Pequea,
St. Paul's ch., W. Whiteland t'p.
St. Andrew's ch., W. Vincent,
St. Mark's ch., Honeybrook,
Ch. of the Holy Trinity, W. C.
St. Stephen's ch., Harrisburg,
St. Paul's church, Chester,
St. Martin's ch., L. Chichester towns'p Marcus Hook,
St. David's ch. Newtown township, Radnor,
Calvary church, Rockdale,
St. James' church, Lancaster,
Christ church, Leacock,
Bangor ch. Caernarvon t'nship. Churchtown,
All Saints' Church, Paradise,
St. Stephen's ch., Wilkesbarre,
St. James' church, Muncy,
St. James ch., Perkiomen to'p.
St. John's church, Norristown,
Christ church, Pottstown,
St. Paul's ch., Philadelphia,
Ch. of the Evangelists, Sow'k.
Trinity church, Southwark,
St. Philip's ch. Spring Garden,
Ch. of the Nativity, S. Garden,
St. Matthew's ch. Francisville,

Ayes.

St. Andrew's ch. Philadelphia, All Saints' ch. L. Dublin to'p.
Grace church, Philadelphia, Emanuel church, Holmesburg
St. Luke's ch., Philadelphia, St. Mark's church, Frankford,
Church of the Epiphany, Phil. Emanuel church, Kensington,
St. John's ch, N. Liberties, St. Mary's ch, W. Philadelphia
Advent ch. Northern Liberties, Trinity church, Pottsville, 48

Divided.

Gloria Dei church, Southwark, St. James' ch., Schuy'l Haven, 2

Noes.

Trinity church, Pittsburg, St. Stephen's ch. Philadelphia,
St. Gabriel's ch., Morlattin, Church of the Ascen., "
St. Mark's ch., Mauch Chunk. All Saints' ch., Moyamensing,
Christ church, Danville, Ch. of the Redemption, S. G.
St. John's church, Carlisle, St. James the Less'ch., N. Penn
St. Thomas' ch., Whitemarsh to. Township,
Trinity church, Easton. Trinity ch., Oxford Township.
Christ church, Philadelphia, St. Luke's ch., Germantown,
St. Peter's ch., Philadelphia, St. David's ch., Manayunk,
St. James' ch., Philadelphia, 18

So the Resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Ogilby offered the following:—

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to inquire how many Trustees of the General Theological Seminary this Diocese is entitled to; and also to report the names of the present incumbents.

Rev. Dr. Bull moved for a division of the question, which was lost. The Resolution of Rev. Mr. Ogilby was then adopted.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to another ballot for the remaining members of the Standing Committee, the same Tellers acting—who reported.—

Clerical votes, 78.		Necessary to a choice, 40.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	35	George M. Wharton,	38
" Richard Newton,	43	James S. Newbold,	36
Thomas M. Pettit,	40	W. Musgrave,	37
L. R. Ashhurst,	42	Thomas Robins,	1
A. G. Coffin,	40		

Lay delegations voting, 63.		Necessary to a choice, 32.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	30	W. Musgrave, -	30
" Richard Newton, -	31	Thomas M. Pettit, -	30
" G. E. Hare, - -	1	L. R. Ashhurst, -	31
George M. Wharton, -	34	A. G. Coffin, - -	31
J. S. Newbold, - -	31		

No one having been elected, Mr. Welsh offered the following:

Resolved, that a committee of 6 be appointed to nominate 1 Clergyman and 3 Laymen, to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee; which was lost. The Convention then proceeded with another ballot.

The Tellers, after counting the votes—reported as follows:

Clerical votes, 77.		Necessary to a choice, 39.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	34	Wm. Musgrave, -	35
" Richard Newton, -	43	T. M. Pettit, - -	40
George M. Wharton, -	38	L. R. Ashhurst, -	39
J. S. Newbold, - -	36	A. G. Coffin, - -	37

Lay delegations voting, 64.		Necessary to a choice, 33.	
Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	33	T. M. Pettit, - -	30
" Richard Newton, -	31	L. R. Ashhurst, -	30
George M. Wharton, -	37	A. G. Coffin, - -	29
J. S. Newbold, - -	33	Thomas Robins, - -	1
W. Musgrave, - -	30	William Welsh, - -	1

The Bishop thereupon declared, that there had been no election.

Rev. Mr. Suddards thereupon moved, that a Committee of Conference be appointed, to nominate suitable persons as members of the Standing Committee, and Delegates to the General Convention, which prevailed,—and the Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Morgan, Morton, Suddards, Claxton, and Messrs. J. S. Smith, Robins, Welsh, and Bancker.

The Bishop announced that he had appointed as the Committee, on the Rev. Mr. Ogilby's resolution of this morning, Rev. Messrs. Ogilby, Newton, and Mr. Ashhurst.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Thursday, 5 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled—and the Roll of the Clergy was called—the calling of the Roll of the Lay Deputies was dispensed with. The Minutes of the Morning Session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Morgan moved to postpone the order of the day for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee of Conference—which was agreed to. He then reported the following as the Ticket agreed by the Committee to be recommended for the choice of the remaining members of the Standing Committee, viz—Rev. Dr. G. E. Hare and Messrs. G. M. Wharton, T. M. Pettit, and John Welsh, Jun.—and he further reported, that they had been unable to agree upon a ticket for Deputies to the General Convention.

The order of the day was again postponed for the purpose of voting for the remaining members of the Standing Committee —and the Convention thereupon proceeded to another ballot.

The Tellers reported as follows:

Clerical votes, 79,		Necessary to a choice, 40.	
Rev. Geo. E. Hare, D.D.	40	John Welsh, jr., -	39
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	19	J. S. Newbold, -	22
" Richard Newton, -	16	W. Musgrave, -	24
" H.W. Ducachet, D.D.	1	L. R. Ashhurst, -	21
" N. S. Harris, - -	1	William Welsh, -	13
George M. Wharton, -	59	A. G. Coffin, - -	1
Thomas M. Pettit, - -	54		

Lay delegations voting, 61.		Necessary to a choice, 31.	
Rev. Geo. E. Hare, D.D.	36	John Welsh, jr., -	34
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	12	L. R. Ashhurst, -	15
" Richard Newton, -	12	Wm. Musgrave, -	12
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	1	J. S. Newbold, -	12
George M. Wharton, -	44	Wm. Welsh, - -	8
Thomas M. Pettit, - -	48	Arthur G. Coffin, -	7

The Bishop thereupon announced, that Rev. Dr. G. E. Hare, of the Clergy, and Messrs. G. M. Wharton and Thomas M. Pettit of the Laity, had been elected members of the Standing Committee, and that there was one vacancy still to be filled. The Convention then proceeded with a further ballot.

The Tellers reported as follows:

Clerical votes, 72.

John Welsh, jr.,	60	L. R. Ashhurst,	5
Wm. Welsh,	5	F. R. Backus,	2

Lay delegations voting, 60.

John Welsh, jr.,	55	L. R. Ashhurst,	2
Wm. Welsh,	2	W. Musgrave,	1

The Bishop announced that John Welsh, Jun. had been duly elected the remaining member of the Standing Committee.

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to choose Deputies to the General Convention—the Lay Tellers acting as before: and the Rev. Messrs. Coit, Newton, Lightner and Natt acting as Tellers for the Clergy.

The Tellers reported as follows: viz:

Clerical votes, 79.		Necessary to a choice, 40.	
Rev. Levi Bull, D.D.	44	J. S. Richards,	32
" Edmund Neville,	44	J. R. Ingersoll,	32
" Wm. Preston,	40	Geo. M. Wharton,	35
" J. H. Fowles,	39	Thomas Robins,	33
" Saml. Bowman, D.D.	37	Henry Reed,	32
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	34	Judge Hays,	2
" H. J. Morton, D.D.	33	L. R. Ashhurst,	3
" H.W. Ducachet, D.D.	29	H. Binney, jr.,	2
" E. Y. Buchanan,	3	R. Ralston,	1
" Richard Newton,	2	J. S. Smith,	2
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	1	J. Peacock,	1
" N. S. Harris,	1	Wm. Meredith,	1
J. N. Conyngham,	44	Geo. M. Stroud,	1
Herman Cope,	43	Judge Woodward,	1
Isaac Hazlehurst,	42		

Lay delegations voting, 63.		Necessary to a choice, 32.	
Rev. Levi Bull, D.D.	34	Rev. H. J. Morton, D.D.	33
" Edmund Neville,	32	" H.W. Ducachet, D.D.	26
" Wm. Preston,	24	" E. Y. Buchanan,	4
" J. H. Fowles,	24	" Geo. Upfold, D.D.	4
" S. Bowman, D.D.	36	" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.	4
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	29	" W. H. Odenheimer,	1

Lay delegations—Continued.

Rev. N. Stem,	1	Wm. M. Meredith,	4
J. N. Conyngham,	33	A. L. Hays,	3
Herman Cope,	33	J. S. Smith,	1
Isaac Hazlehurst,	25	Wm. Welsh,	1
J. S. Richards,	23	J. Peacock,	1
Jos. R. Ingersoll,	35	H. Binney, jr.,	1
Geo. M. Wharton,	32	Dr. West,	1
Thomas Robins,	31	J. S. Newbold,	1
Henry Reed,	27	J. Peacock,	1

The Bishop thereupon announced, that the Rev. Dr. Bull and the Rev. Mr. Neville of the Clergy, and Messrs. Herman Cope and John N. Conyngham of the Laity, had been duly elected Deputies to the General Convention; and that no one of the other persons voted for had received the requisite majority.

It was then moved that the Convention adjourn until half past 8 o'clock in the evening—which motion was lost. The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Philadelphia, St. Andrew's Church.
Friday, May 21st, A. D. 1847. 9 o'clock A. M.

The Convention assembled at the call of the Bishop—and was opened with appropriate collects. The Rolls of the Clergy and Laity were called, and the Minutes of yesterday P. M. read and approved. The Convention then proceeded to vote for the remaining Deputies to the General Convention. The Clerical Tellers acting as before—and Messrs. Stavely, Claghorn, Newbold and Pettibone acting as Tellers for the Laity.

The Tellers reported as follows: after a motion to reject the balloting for alleged informality, having been lost.

Clerical votes, 66.		Necessary to a choice, 34.	
Rev. Wm. Preston,	33	Rev. J. B. Clemson,	1
" J. H. Fowles,	32	" Richard Newton,	1
" S. Bowman, D.D.	30	" W. H. Odenheimer,	1
" H. J. Morton, D.D.	24	" George W. Natt,	1
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	5	" H.W. Ducachet, D.D.	1

Clerical votes—Continued.

Isaac Hazlehurst,	36	J. S. Richards,	3
George Hogg,	32	J. Peacock,	1
J. R. Ingersoll,	30	W. M. Meredith,	1
Geo. M. Wharton,	30	Henry Reed,	1

Lay delegations voting, 53.		Necessary to a choice, 27.	
Rev. S. Bowman, D.D.	30	J. R. Ingersoll,	32
" H. J. Morton, D.D.	31	Geo. M. Wharton,	30
" Wm. Preston,	20	Isaac Hazlehurst,	22
" J. H. Fowles,	19	George Hogg,	18
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	3	Herman Cope,	1
" N. Stem,	1	Thomas Robins,	1
" Richard Newton,	1	John Welsh, jr.,	1
" M. A. D'Wolf Howe,	1	W. M. Meredith,	1

The Bishop thereupon announced, that no one of the persons voted for had received the requisite majority of votes, and the Convention then, on motion, proceeded to another ballot. The Tellers acting as before—who reported as follows——

Clerical votes, 72.		Necessary to a choice, 37.	
Rev. Wm. Preston,	37	Rev. R. Newton,	1
" S. Bowman, D.D.	34	Isaac Hazlehurst,	37
" James H. Fowles,	34	Jos. R. Ingersoll,	36
" H. J. Morton, D.D.	30	Geo. M. Wharton,	36
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	1	George Hogg,	34
" Geo. Upfold, D.D.	1	J. Peacock,	1
" J. B. Clemson,	1		

Lay delegations voting, 57.		Necessary to a choice. 29.	
Rev. S. Bowman, D.D.	35	Jos. R. Ingersoll,	34
" H. J. Morton, D.D.	33	Geo. M. Wharton,	33
" Wm. Preston,	22	Isaac Hazlehurst,	23
" James H. Fowles,	21	George Hogg,	21
" R. U. Morgan, D.D.	1	L. R. Ashhurst,	1
" N. Stem,	1	W. M. Meredith,	1
" M. A. D'Wolf Howe,	1		

The Bishop announced, that no one of the persons voted for, had received the requisite majority of votes. Whereupon, Mr. Stavely moved the appointment of a Committee of Conference on

nomination of suitable persons for the remaining Deputies—which motion was carried.

Mr. Ashhurst, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Brinckle, moved to reconsider the vote just taken—but subsequently withdrew his motion.

The Bishop appointed as the Committee (to consist of four clergymen and four laymen) Rev. Drs. Dorr and Bull and Rev. Messrs. Sheets and Neville, and Messrs. Baldy, Stroud, Stavely and Atlee.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Coleman, the Convention proceeded to the consideration of the Resolution attached to the Report of the Committee on the subject of requesting the Bishop to ordain Deacons under the 6th General Canon of 1844, when, on motion of Rev. Mr. Suddards, the further consideration of the Resolution was postponed until the meeting of the next General Convention.

Judge Lewis offered the following preamble and resolution, viz:—

Whereas, serious doubts are entertained by many members of the Church of this Diocese, in reference to the power of this Convention to change the Constitution so as to deny to the respective parishes already admitted to the privilege of representation, the right to send such deputies as they may choose to select—and whereas doubts are also entertained by some in regard to the effect of such alteration upon the titles to property acquired under the present Constitution,—and whereas it is believed that the peace and prosperity of the Church will be best promoted by preserving the rights of the parishes in this respect as they at present exist: Therefore,

Resolved, that the amendment to the fourth article proposed at the last Convention, as stated on page 42 of the Journal, be postponed indefinitely.

Rev. Dr. Bull moved the following as a substitute to the foregoing:—

Resolved, that the consideration of the proposed alteration to the 4th Article of the Constitution be postponed for the present, and that a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the whole of the Constitution, and to report thereon at the next Annual Convention.

Rev. Dr. Bull subsequently, by consent of the House withdrew his Resolution.

The question then came up on Judge Lewis's resolution, when, after discussion, a vote was called for by orders.

The Rev. Mr. Suddards moved to amend the Preamble and Resolution by striking out the Preamble—and also by adding to the Resolution, as follows—

Resolved, that the vestries of the Churches in the Diocese be earnestly requested, whenever practicable, to send communicants as Deputies to the Convention.

A division of the question being called for, a vote was taken upon the striking out of the Preamble, and the same was stricken out. The Rev. Mr. Suddards then withdrew the remaining part of his amendment.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved further to amend by striking out the word "indefinitely."

The subject before the House was then laid aside temporarily, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Committee on Conference, which was presented by the Rev. Dr. Dorr, as follows:—

The Committee of Conference after deliberate consultation, agree to recommend the following gentlemen as delegates to the General Convention; of the Clergy, the Rev. Dr. Bowman and the Rev. Dr. Morton, and of the Laity, William M. Meredith and William Welsh. B. Dorr, Chairman.

The Convention then, adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

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5 *o'clock, P. M.*

The Convention re-assembled—the Roll of the Clergy was called—the calling of the Roll of Lay Deputies was dispensed with. The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The Convention then, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, took up for further consideration, the Resolution offered by Judge Lewis, and the amendment thereto proposed by Rev. Dr. Ducachet, when, after some discussion, the mover of the resolution accepted with consent of the House, the amendment proposed.

The question being taken by orders on the Resolution to postpone the proposed amendment to the Constitution, the vote stood as follows—

Ayes.

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley,	Rev. Edwin Mendenhall,
" Saml. Bowman, D.D.,	" Tobias H. Michell, M.D.
" William J. Clark,	" Richard U. Morgan, D.D.
" William C. Cooley,	" George W. Natt,
" Samuel Cowell,	" Edmund Neville,
" Robert Davis,	" Richard Newton,
" Benjamin Dorr, D.D.,	" Azariah Prior,
" Heman Dyer, D.D.,	" John Rodney,
" George G. Field,	" Peter Russell,
" C. H. Foster,	" George Sheets,
" Henry T. Hiester,	" Richard Smith,
" William Hilton,	" Henry Tullidge,
" John W. Hoffman,	" George Upfold, D.D.
" George P. Hopkins,	" William White,
" Freeman Lane,	" Enos Woodward,
" John Long,	" W. H. Woodward,
" Milton C. Lightner,	" Thomas C. Yarnall,
" Samuel T. Lord,	Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D.

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Noes.

Rev. T. G. Allen,	Rev. George C. Drake,
" Breed Batcheller,	" H. W. Ducachet, D.D.
" William H. Bourns,	" Geo. E. Durborow,
" George Boyd, D.D.	" J. H. Fowles,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	" Anson G. Hard,
" Edward Y. Buchanan,	" G. Emlen Hare, D.D.
" Levi Bull, D.D.	" Samuel Hazlehurst,
" Jehu C. Clay, D.D.	" Marmaduke Hirst,
" John B. Clemson,	" Benjamin S. Huntington,
" J. Howland Coit,	" John J. Kerr,
" John Coleman, D.D.	" Edmund Leaf,
" Asa S. Colton,	" John Gordon Maxwell,
" William N. Diehl,	" George Mintzer,
" Jacob M. Douglass,	" Henry J. Morton, D.D.

Noes.

Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer,	Rev. Nathan Stem,
" Frederick Ogilby,	" K. J. Stewart,
" William S. Perkins,	" William Suddards,
" Thomas H. Quinan,	" Peter Van Pelt,
" Greenbury W. Ridgely,	" John A. Vaughan, D.D.
" Owen Evans Shannon,	" Christian Wiltberger. 40

Ayes.

Christ church, Reading,	Christ church, Philadelphia,
St. Thomas' ch. Morgantown,	St. Peter's church, "
Trinity church, Centreville,	St. James' church, "
St. Mark's ch. Mauch Chunk,	St. Paul's church, "
St. John's church, Bellefonte,	St. Stephen's ch., "
St. Mary's ch. Warwick to'p.	Ch. of the Ascension, Phila.,
St. John's church, Pequea,	St. Luke's church, Phila.,
St. Paul's ch. W. Whiteland t'p	All Saints' ch. Moyamensing,
St. Mark's ch. Honeybrook,	Gloria Dei ch. Southwark,
St. John's church, Carlisle,	St. Philip's church, S. Garden,
Calvary church, Rockdale,	Ch. of the Redemption, S. G.
St. James' church, Lancaster,	St. James' ch. Kingsessing,
All Saints' church, Paradise,	St. James the Less ch. North
Bangor ch. Caernarvon to'sp.	Penn township,
Churchtown,	All Saints' ch. L. Dublin, to'p.
St. Stephen's ch. Wilkesbarre,	St. Mark's church, Frankford,
St. James' church, Muncy,	St. David's ch. Manayunk.
Trinity church, Easton,	St. James' ch. Sch'l Haven. 33

Noes.

Christ church, Allegheny,	Grace church, Philadelphia,
St. Gabriel's, Morlattin,	Ch. of the Epiphany, Phila.,
St. John's ch. N. London t'p.	St. John's ch. N. Liberties,
St. Andrew's ch. W. Vincent,	Advent church, N. Liberties,
Christ church, Danville,	Trinity church, Southwark,
St. Stephen's ch. Harrisburg,	Church of the Nativity, S. G.
St. Thomas' ch., Whitemarsh	St. Matthew's ch, Francisville,
township,	St. Luke's ch. Germantown,
St. James' ch. Perkiomen t'p.	Emanuel ch. Kensington,
St. John's ch. Norristown,	St. Mary's ch. West Philada.
St. Andrew's ch. Philada.,	20

Christ church, Pottstown, *divided.*

So the motion to postpone was lost.

The question then was taken on the amendment proposed to the 4th Article of the Constitution at the last Convention, the two orders voting thereon separately, and the proposition for amendment was not approved, the vote being as follows:

Ayes.

Rev. T. G. Allen,	Rev. Marmaduke Hirst,
" Breed Batcheller,	" Benjamin S. Huntington,
" William H. Bourns,	" John J. Kerr,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	" Edmund Leaf,
" Edward Y. Buchanan,	" Milton C. Lightner,
" Levi Bull, D. D.	" John Gordon Maxwell,
" Jehu C. Clay, D. D.	" George Mintzer,
" John B. Clemson,	" Richard U. Morgan, D.D.
" J. Howland Coit,	" Henry J. Morton, D.D.
" John Coleman, D. D.	" Edmund Neville,
" Asa S. Colton,	" William H. Odenheimer,
" Samuel Cowell,	" Frederick Ogilby,
" William N. Diehl,	" William S. Perkins,
" Jacob M. Douglass,	" Greenbury W. Ridgely,
" George C. Drake,	" Owen Evans Shannon,
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.	" Nathan Stem,
" Geo. E. Durborow,	" K. J. Stewart,
" C. A. Foster,	" William Suddards,
" J. H. Fowles,	" Henry Tullidge,
" Anson G. Hard,	" Peter Van Pelt,
" G. Emlen Hare, D. D.	" John A. Vaughan, D.D.
" Samuel Hazelhurst,	" Christian Wiltberger,
" John W. Hoffman,	45

Noes.

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley,	Rev. Heman Dyer, D. D.
" Samuel Bowman, D. D.	" George G. Field,
" William J. Clark,	" Henry T. Hiester,
" William C. Cooley,	" William Hilton,
" Robert Davis,	" George P. Hopkins,
" Benjamin Dorr, D. D.	" Freeman Lane,

Noes.

Rev. John Long,
" Samuel T. Lord,
" Edwin Mendenhall,
" Tobias H. Michell, M. D.
" George W. Natt,
" Richard Newton,
" Azariah Prior,
" John Rodney,
" Peter Russell,
Rev. George Sheets,
" Richard Smith,
" George Upfold, D. D.
" William White,
" Enos Woodward,
" W. H. Woodward,
" Thomas C. Yarnall.
Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D.
29

Ayes.

St. Andrew's ch., Pittsburg,
St. Gabriel's ch., Morlattin,
Christ church, Reading.
St. Thomas' ch., Morgantown,
St. John's ch. N. London to'p,
Christ church, Danville,
St. Stephen's ch., Harrisburg,
St. Thomas' ch., Whitemarsh to.
St. James ch., Perkiomen to'p.
St. John's church, Norristown,
St. Andrew's ch. Philadelphia,
Grace church, Philadelphia,
Church of the Epiphany, Phil.
St. John's ch, N. Liberties,
Trinity church, Southwark,
Ch. of the Nativity, S. Garden,
St. Matthew's ch. Francisville,
Emanuel church, Kensington,
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Noes.

Trinity church, Centreville,
St. Mark's ch., Mauch Chunk.
St. John's church, Bellefonte,
St. Mary's ch., Warwick to'p.
St. John's church, Pequea,
St. Paul's ch., W. Whiteland t'p
St. Mark's ch., Honeybrook,
St. John's church, Carlisle,
Calvary church, Rockdale,
St. James' church, Lancaster,
Bangor ch. Caernarvon t'nship.
Churchtown,
All Saints' Church, Paradise,
St. Stephen's ch., Wilkesbarre,
St. James' church, Muncy,
Christ church, Pottstown,
Trinity church, Easton.
Christ church, Philadelphia,
St. Peter's ch., Philadelphia,
St. James' ch., Philadelphia,
St. Paul's ch., Philadelphia,
St. Stephen's ch. Philadelphia,
Church of the Ascen., "
St. Luke's ch., Philadelphia,
Advent ch. Northern Liberties,
All Saints' ch., Moyamensing,
Gloria Dei church, Southwark,
Ch. of the Redemption, S. G.

Noes.

St. James' ch., Kingsessing, St. Mark's church, Frankford,
St. James the Less'ch. N. Penn St. Mary's ch, W. Philadelphia
Township, St. David's ch., Manayunk,
All Saints' ch. L. Dublin to'p. St. James' ch. Schuy'l Haven.
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Divided.

St. Philip's ch. Spring Garden, St. Luke's ch., Germantown,
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*The Bishop preparatory to announcing his vote, asked permission to state some of the reasons which would lead him to record it in the negative. He had last year voted in the affirmative, wishing thereby to testify his cordial approbation of the *end* proposed to be attained by the amendments under consideration; but not intending to commit himself as to the *means* which, after mature reflection, he might judge to be the best for reaching that end. He considered it unspeakably desirable that our Conventions should be composed of serious minded and exemplary persons, whose lives would bring no reproach on the Church; and in the absence of all effective discipline over non-communicants, the Bishop did not doubt that their holding seats in the Convention might be, at times, the occasion of reproach and evil. He would therefore have Bishop, Clergy, and Laity, keep steadily in view, as a great desideratum, such a composition of this body as would make it outwardly at least a body of christian men, honouring the Sacraments, and not acting as if they were ashamed of Christ and his gospel.

So much for the *end* to be sought. In respect to the best *means* for attaining that end, the wisest and most conscientious men might differ. For himself, he regarded changes in the constitution of any government, as involving results so serious, and so difficult to be foreseen, that he should be willing to venture on them only after the gravest deliberation, and upon the clearest prospect of material advantages not to be gained by means less radical. In the absence of such a prospect, he thought that a *doubt* in regard either to the right or the expediency

* See post of this Journal.

of a proposed change, ought, if it be the result of sincere and diligent inquiry, to decide our minds against it, at least for the present.

In the present case, the immediate adoption of the proposed amendment would work the exclusion of non-communicants from the floor of the Convention; but more intimate acquaintance with the state of the Diocese had led him to conclude, that the same end was likely to be attained, soon, by means less stringent, and in a manner more consonant with the genius of the Church, and with the welfare of some of our parishes. There was abroad, he thought, a moral sentiment, which recognized more and more clearly the incongruity of clothing those with the highest powers of legislation in the Church, who disregard some of the most solemn of the Church's claims,—and that sentiment was fast working the change desired. In the meantime, the sudden and peremptory exclusion of non-communicants would leave some parishes, especially in remote parts of the Diocese, without any representation; it would cast out of the Convention, several of its estimable and exemplary members, who had served it long and well, and who had been generous benefactors of the Church; it might introduce an apple of discord into congregations now at peace, and impair the proper influence of pastors over many non-communicants, especially over those who are kept from the Holy Table rather by pious scruples than by indifference to Christ's ordinance. Under such circumstances, he could not regard an *immediate* change of the constitution as the best means of promoting the end in view, and should in consequence feel obliged to record his vote against it. At the same time, he could not but hope, that the time was approaching when such a change would be demanded by the almost unanimous voice of the Diocese, and could be made therefore without harm or inconvenience.

The Rev. Mr. Hoffman offered the following as a proposition for amendment to the 2d clause of Article 7th of the Constitution, viz:

And a majority of such Clergymen as may be entitled to seats, and of the lay representations of the parishes entitled to representation in the Convention, shall be a quorum, and on every

question the votes of a majority, a quorum being present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of both orders, a quorum likewise being present.

Mr. Wright moved the following as an amendment to the Resolution of the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, viz: To strike out all after the word, "Resolved" and insert—the following—

That the 6th Article of the Constitution be amended as follows —at the end of the second line of the second paragraph add the words "quorum of," which will then read as follows:

"All officers and committees appointed by ballot must, in order to their election, receive the votes of a majority of the" quorum of "clerical members and of the lay representations."

Add the following proviso at the end of the paragraph, on 12th page, Ed. 1844. "Provided that a quorum shall consist of a majority of the Clerical members, and of the lay representations, which shall have appeared and been admitted to seats,—and that any thing in the Constitution and Canons which conflicts with this definition of a quorum be, and is hereby repealed and abrogated."

Mr. James S. Smith moved to refer the foregoing proposed amendments to a Committee, to report thereon at the next Convention, and also to inquire and report whether any, and if so, what other proposed amendments to the Constitution, it may be expedient to submit to the consideration of the Convention. The motion prevailed, and the Committee was directed to consist of four of each order.

On motion, the Bishop was unanimously added to the Committee, and he subsequently appointed the following persons, to constitute the Committee, viz:

Dr. Bull,	J. S. Smith,
Dr. Morgan,	G. M. Stroud,
Dr. Vaughan,	Ellis Lewis,
Dr. Dorr,	John S. Richards.

The Convention then took up the report of the Committee of Conference, which was again read, and the House proceeded to another ballot, for the remaining Delegates to the General Convention, the Tellers acting as before—who reported—

Clerical votes, 69.		Necessary to a choice, 35.	
Rev. Dr. Bowman,	49	Jos. R. Ingersoll,	50
" " Morton,	37	Wm. Welsh,	38
" Mr. Howe,	27	G. M. Wharton,	25
" " Fowles,	10	W. M. Meredith,	14
" " Preston,	7	J. Hazlehurst,	4
" " Clemson,	1	G. Hogg,	3
" " Buchanan,	1	J. Peacock,	1
" Dr. Upfold,	1	J. S. Richards,	1
" " Morgan,	1		

Lay delegations voting, 52.		Necessary to a choice, 27.	
Rev. Dr. Bowman,	45	Jos. R. Ingersoll,	35
" " Morton,	39	G. M. Wharton,	28
" Mr. Howe,	11	Wm. Welsh,	22
" " Fowles,	5	W. M. Meredith,	15
" " Newton,	1	J. Hazlehurst,	2
" Dr. Morgan,	1	J. S. Richards,	1
" Mr. Stem,	1	H. Reed,	1

The Chair announced, that the Rev. Drs. Bowman and Morton, of the Clergy, and Mr. Jos. R. Ingersoll, of the Laity, had received the requisite majority of votes—and they were accordingly declared to be duly elected Deputies to the General Convention. The Convention then proceeded to vote for the remaining Lay Deputy, the same Tellers acting—who reported—

Clerical votes, 65.		Necessary to a choice.	
W. Welsh,	36	G. M. Wharton,	31

Lay delegations voting, 47.		Necessary to a choice, 24.	
W. Welsh,	21	G. M. Wharton,	26

There being no choice, the Convention proceeded to another ballot—the same Tellers acting.

The Bishop announced the following, as the Committee on the state of the Church, under the 17th Diocesan Canon, viz: Rev. Mr. Suddards, Rev. Dr. Dorr, Rev. Mr. Newton, Messrs. J. S. Newbold and Hoskins.

The Tellers being prepared to report, made report, that there had been 65 Clerical votes, and 46 Lay votes, polled, and that Geo. M. Wharton had received of the votes of the Clergy, 34 votes; and of the votes of the Lay Representations, 27 votes; and that Wm. Welsh had received 31 Clerical votes, and 19

votes of the Lay Representations. The Chair thereupon declared that George M. Wharton, having received the requisite majority of votes, was duly elected a Deputy to the General Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Ogilby, from the Committee upon the subject of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, made report as follows:

The Committee on the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary beg leave to report, that this Diocese is entitled to nominate twenty-two Trustees.

The present Trustees are Drs. Dorr, Upfold, Ducachet, Boyd, Morton and Morgan, the Rev. Messrs. Rodney, Bull, Buchanan, Spear, and Odenheimer, and Messrs. John Reed, J. S. Smith, Benjamin Stiles, G. M. Wharton, Horace Binney, Jr., Herman Cope, L. R. Ashhurst, A. L. Hays, and Wm. Welsh.

The Rev. Mr. Spear and Mr. John Reed, have vacated their office by removal from the Diocese, so that there are four vacancies to be supplied.

All which is respectfully submitted.

FRED. OGILBY,
RICHD. NEWTON,
LEWIS R. ASHHURST.

And he thereupon moved, that the Bishop be requested to nominate four persons to fill the said vacancies—which motion being carried—the Bishop nominated the Rev. Messrs. Howe, Suddards, and Ogilby, and Mr. Robert Ralston—which nomination was approved by the Convention. Whereupon it was Resolved, that the foregoing 22 persons be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees for this Diocese, of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Mr. Bourns moved the following Resolution,

That a Committee be appointed to inquire and report at next Annual Convention, whether it would not be expedient to alter the 9th Canon of the Church in this Diocese, as to the election of Standing Committee, so as to make it necessary to elect only two Clerical members, and two Lay members of that body every year.

Which, on motion of Mr. Newbold, was referred to the Committee on proposed alterations of the Constitution.

The Rev. Mr. Ridgely moved, that the Bishop be requested to present in writing his reasons, which he gave as accompanying and explanatory of his vote, on the proposed amendment to the 4th article of the Constitution, and that the same be entered on the Journal, which was carried.

The Report of the Trustees of the Christmas Fund, was read and ordered to be printed with the Journal, (See Appendix.) On motion, the former Trustees, viz: Messrs. Wm. H. Newbold, Moses Kempton, Robert Toland and John Welsh, Jr., were reelected.

It was, on motion of the Secretary, Resolved, that the next Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese, be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the 3d Tuesday of May, A. D. 1848, at 5 o'clock, P. M.—two amendments to strike out St. Andrew's, Philadelphia, and insert St. Stephen's, Harrisburg, and St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre, having been severally proposed by the Rev. Mr. Ridgely and Mr. H. B. Wright, and lost. It was also, Resolved, that the Secretary cause 500 copies of the Journal to be printed.

The names of the Clergy absent at the last Convention were called over by the Secretary, and certain of them presented their excuses for absence.

The Clergy were also called upon by the Secretary, in obedience to the 4th Revised Regulation, in order to ascertain if collections had been made during the past year, in their several Churches, in aid of the Convention Fund—when it appeared, from answers given at the time, that collections had been made by the following Clergymen, viz:—

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley,	Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D.
" William H. Bourns,	" George C. Drake,
" Samuel Bowman, D. D.	" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	" C. A. Foster,
" Edward Y. Buchanan,	" Anson G. Hard,
" Levi Bull, D. D.	" John W. Hoffman,
" William J. Clark,	" Marmaduke Hirst,
" Jehu C. Clay, D. D.	" George Kirke,
" John Coleman, D. D.	" Freeman Lane,
" William C. Cooley,	" Edmund Leaf,
" William N. Diehl,	" John Long,

Rev. Milton C. Lightner,	Rev. Owen Evans Shannon,
" Samuel T. Lord,	" George Sheets,
" Tobias H. Michell, M. D.	" Nathan Stem,
" Richard U. Morgan, D.D.	" William Suddards,
" Henry J. Morton, D.D.	" Henry Tullidge,
" George W. Natt,	" William White,
" Richard Newton,	" Christian Wiltberger,
" William H. Odenheimer,	" Enos Woodward,
" Frederick Ogilby,	" W. H. Woodward,
" Peter Russell,	" Thomas C. Yarnall.

The minutes were then read by the Secretary, preparatory to adjournment, and approved—when the Bishop delivered a brief, earnest and affectionate address to the members, who, at the close united with him in singing the four last verses of the 99th Psalm of the Selection, with the Doxology—and thereupon, after prayers offered by the Bishop, and after his benediction, the Convention adjourned sine die.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Report of the Rev. Joseph Adderly, Missionary at St. Michael's Church, Armstrong County, St. Ann's Church, Redbank, Clarion County, and Johnstown, Cambria County.

St. Michael's Church.

Congregation, families, 26; baptisms, infants, 9; confirmed, 15; communicants added, 1; present number, 60; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 34; other days, 8; total, 42; children catechised monthly; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 25; collections, Society for Advancement of Christianity, $2 00; for the relief of Ireland, $8 00; parochial purposes, $3 00; total, $13 00.

St. Ann's Church.

Congregation, families, 10; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, present number, 26; public services, on Sundays, 12; other days, 5; total, 17; Holy Eucharist administered, times, 4; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 36; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $2 00. I have not as yet made the collection for the Episcopal fund, but will forward it as soon as possible.

At Johnstown, I have held twenty-four public services, baptized six children, and administered the Holy Sacrament three times. This congregation is small, having no suitable place in which to hold the services of the Church.

I have also officiated once at Lawrenceburg, in Clarion co.

I made an effort this spring to obtain a house in Wayne township, as the Advancement Society made an objection to my residing in Blairsville, but was unable to obtain one. It is my intention to remove there as soon as I can obtain a dwelling-house. The Society cannot fully know the difficulties that some of the Missionaries have to encounter in these Western parishes, or they would not, I am well satisfied, decrease, but would, if possible, increase their salaries.

I have travelled this last conventional year in the discharge of my missionary duties, two thousand five hundred miles.

In addition to the above services, I have performed two marriages in Blairsville.

Report of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen.

I continue acting in the capacity of a city missionary. My appointment has been renewed by the Committee of Missions of the Advancement Society of this Diocese.

During the year, up to this date, I have officiated, or assisted in the services of the Church on 13 occasions, when I have not lectured or preached. I have administered, or assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper on 12 occasions. I have baptized 80 persons. In preaching, lecturing, &c., I have officiated on 225 occasions. I have married 26 couple. I have officiated on 70 funeral occasions.

During the year up to March 12th, my pastoral visits have been 1293;—1276 of them to the sick, afflicted, &c. On each of these occasions I endeavour to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and engage in prayer. There have been distributed 3 Bibles and 2 New Testaments, 7 Prayer Books, and 65,900 pages of tracts, in which is included 36,700 pages of the tract, Morning and Evening Prayers for Children and Youth, &c.

My monthly appointment at the Widow's Asylum; also my weekly appointment in the Magdalen Asylum, and at my own house are continued. My monthly appointment in the Wills Hospital I resigned into the charge of Rev. Mr. Spear, who occupied the Chapel with reference to the organization of a new Church.

The Lord still adds his blessing to my imperfect efforts, and to *Him* be all the praise and glory forever. Amen.

Report of the Rev. F. W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia County, and of Christ Church, Oak Grove, Bucks County.

Baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 10, total, 15; communicants added, 12; died, 2; removed, 2; present number, 50; public services, every Sunday morning at All Saints' church; every Sunday afternoon at the Chapel at Oak Grove. We have service every Thursday afternoon, for about seven months in the year at

the Chapel; and during Lent, one service every Wednesday afternoon at All Saints' Church, except on Ash-Wednesday and Good Friday, when we have the Church opened for the Morning Service. For a long time I have had service every third Thursday at Mechanicksville. I have also held service, twice at a house near the mouth of the Poquestion Creek—once at a house in Andalusia—and once at a private residence on the Academy Lane, a road leading from the Bristol turnpike to Bustleton. I have also been endeavouring to make arrangements to have service at two destitute places, the one seven, the other eleven miles from my residence, and hope for success in the attempt.

Three persons were confirmed in April, in the Chapel. Sunday schools, 2; one at All Saints', which is open during the whole year, the other at Oak Grove. The children are catechised every month at All Saints' Church. At that time they are also addresed by the Rector.

Collections during the year; at All Saints', for Sunday school, $3 75; on another occasion for the same object, 6 50; Christmas collection for fund for disabled Clergymen, 8 42; at All Saints' and Oak Grove, for Episcopal fund, 8 76; for sufferers in Ireland and Scotland, 20 57; for Convention fund, 5 07; All Saints' Missionary Society, 26 50; Sunday school children at All Saints' Church, for Sunday school in Wisconsin, 5 00; gift for Missions from a pew-holder in All Saints' Church, 5 00; Total, 89 59.

Report of the Rev. William H. Bourne, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, about 45; individuals, about 150; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 8; total, 9; communicants added, 2; died or removed, 11; present number, 52; marriages, 3; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 105; other days, 74; total, 179; children catechised, 12; times, 8; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 49; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 46; total, schools, 2; teachers, 11; pupils, 95; Bible class, 1; members, 10; collections, Episcopal fund, $7 00; Convention fund, 4 00; Advancement Society, 40 00; Domestic Missions, 38 50; Foreign, 10 35; Jews, 3; distressed Scots and Irish,

22 00; Sunday school, 24 00; offertory at Communion, (including 5 25 to Christmas fund,) 50 44; total, 199 29.

The project of rebuilding the Church, mentioned in last year's report, has been postponed, the liberality of a few subscribers not having been met by corresponding zeal on the part of the parishioners at large: and that apparently, from an impression that the present edifice is sufficient for the wants of the congregation. In consequence, the Sunday school accommodation remains as inadequate as heretofore.

At present, the ladies of the parish are preparing to hold a fair, towards raising a fund to procure a parsonage house.

The Sunday school which was formed in July, 1844, at the Pennepack Print Works, about a mile from Holmesburg, continued in operation till last autumn, when it ceased, chiefly on account of the failure in health of the lady who had, with much self-denying zeal superintended it, and whose place could not be supplied.

As to the sums of money mentioned in the above report, it should be noted that the annual collection for the Episcopal and Convention funds, is generally made on the Sunday next before the meeting of the Convention, so that strictly speaking, the amount contributed in May, 1846, and reported at that time, ought to be here stated, instead of that now set down.

Report of the Rev. E. Y. Buchanan, Rector of All Saints' Church, Paradise, Lancaster county, and Christ Church, Leacock.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, PARADISE.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 38; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 18; total, 20; confirmed, 8; communicants added, 14; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 56; marriages, 6; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 51; other days, 17; total, 68; children catechised, about 35; times, many; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 15; pupils, 125; collections, Episcopal fund, $6 00; Parish Library, 27 00; Missions, 15 00; relief of the Irish, 45 00; Convention fund, 7 50; debts of the Church, 393 75; other purposes, 48 00; total, 532 25.

On Tuesday, the 16th day of June, 1846, this parish, as well as the Diocese at large, met with a sad affliction in the death of one of its Wardens, and its chief benefactor, Redmond Conyng-

ham, Esq. Our loss however has not been a *total* one: for by means of his triumphant death, as well as his previous exemplary life, he continues to do us good. By them both—the serenity, happiness and joy of the one, well befitting the liberality, disinterestedness and piety of the other, "he being dead, yet speaketh."

During the last summer, as will be perceived by the statistics given above, the congregation contributed a handsome sum towards the extinction of our remaining Church debt, which is now but small.

Since the last Convention, a respectable commencement has been made towards the establishment of a good Parish Library.

The Ladies' Sewing Society, which, in a quiet unostentatious way, has been so useful to the Church, still continues its labours of love.

Considering all things, the parish is decidedly in an encouraging situation.

Christ Church, Leacock.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 40; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 13; total, 18; confirmed, 12; communicants added, 5; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 40; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 34: other days, 5; total, 39; children catechised, about 25; times many; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 40; collections, Advancement Society, $5 00; Missions, 10 00; relief of Irish, 12 00; other purposes, 13 00; total, 40 00.

This parish, as may be inferred from the above statistics, is in a more encouraging state than it has been for some time.

Of the persons confirmed, however, some were from without the congregation: which circumstance, together with the fact, that, since the confirmation we have had but *one* communion, when the weather and roads were unfavourable, will account, in a good measure, for the great difference between the number of persons confirmed, and that of additions to the communion.

Report of the Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia County.

The condition of this parish does not differ materially, from what it was, at the time of the last Convention.

The primitive order of devotional "offerings" made "unto the Lord," for the use of his House, at the same time that prayer is offered by his people, commends itself more and more to the minds and hearts of those who have faith to follow it; while to others, it is in some instances an offence, or a matter of indifference. The experience of this Church for the last ten years goes to prove how exceedingly difficult it is, in the present day, to persuade Christians to act with a single eye to the law of Christ, and the glory of God; in opposition and in continued conflicts with the impetuous course of this world. No one can possibly conceive, who has not had some experience in the matter, how generally other influences operate within the Church, than those by which it should, at all times be governed. Our confidence in the principles, according to which the change has been effected from the *commercial*, to the *apostolic* system of finance, remains undiminished. We have no doubt that we are working according to the mind of the Lord in this matter: and still put our trust in him, that he will bring our fondest wishes to pass.

There have been only *eleven* persons added to the Communion of the Church, during the past Conventional year. *Thirteen* baptisms, one adult, the remainder infants: and *six* marriages.

The Sunday Schools, and the Infant school, continue to be conducted, with much zeal and persevering self-denial, by their respective superintendents and teachers. The number of scholars does not differ materially from what was reported last year.

Report of Rev. B. Batcheller, Radnor Church, Delaware County.

Congregation, families, 65; baptisms, adults, 2; children, 4; total, 6. None confirmed; there having been no Diocesan visitation for that purpose. Communicants added, 3; marriages, 6; burials, 7; Public services on Sundays, 116; Collections, Episcopal fund, $3 14; Convention fund, $2 98; Irish Relief, $19 50; for other purposes, $76 65; total, $102 17.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster, Lancaster County.

Marriages, 9; baptisms, infants, 22; confirmations, 11; communicants, 137; funerals, 11; Sunday schools, male, 1;

teachers, 7; pupils, 36; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 48; infant, 1; teachers, 1; pupils, 68; total, 3 schools, 17 teachers, and 152 pupils; Bible classes, male, 1; pupils, 8; female, 1; pupils 7; public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 37; total, 141; Children catechised monthly. Collections, Convention fund, $15 40; Christmas fund, $20 06; Bible fund, $17 90; Bishop's fund, $25 70; Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, $13 78; monthly offerings, $124 47; Sunday schools, for missions, $16 57; total, $234 88.

Report of the Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Chester county, and St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks Co.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CHESTER COUNTY.

Baptisms, 7; marriages, 4; communicants, 55; Services, once every Lord's day; occasional services, about ten times; funerals not known; collections for the Episcopal fund, Convention fund, and for missionary, and other purposes.

Sunday school, 1, during summer; about 12 teachers, and 50 scholars; catechism recited, and remarks made by the Rector, on alternate Sundays.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, MORGANTOWN, BERKS COUNTY.

Baptisms, 3; communicants, 65; Services every Lord's day; occasional services, 8; funerals not known; collections for the Episcopal fund, Convention fund, for missionary, and for other purposes.

Sunday school, 1; teachers, 10; scholars, 40; catechism recited on alternate Sundays, and remarks made by the Rector.

Report of the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of St. James's Church, Kingsessing, Philadelphia Co.

Congregation, families, about 50; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 5; total, 8; communicants added, 2; died or removed, 3; present number, 37; marriages, 9; burials, 10; public services on Sundays, 85; other days, 13; total, 98; children catechised several times; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 7; pupils, 50; Collections, Episcopal fund, $5; Convention, $5; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 6 53; for Domestic and Foreign Mission Societies, 68 10; other purposes, 83 35; total, $167 98.

Within the past year our church has been fitted up for evening service. Our small band of ladies are still active in their good work.

Report of the Rev. James Bonnar.

The undersigned reports to the Bishop of Pennsylvania, that he continues Principal of "St. James' Grammar School," in this city. That since his last report, he has, on various occasions, assisted the Rector of St. James' and other clergymen. That he has solemnized *one marriage*, and attended to the funeral of one child.

Report of the Rev. John Coleman, Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, 205; adults, 630; children, 370; total, 1,000; baptisms, adults, 9; infants, 59; total, 68; confirmed, 16; communicants, last reported, 394; died, 6; removed, 11; added, 24; present number, 401; marriages, 24; burials, 33; public services, (since November 22, 1846, when the church was re-opened,) on Sundays, 56; other days, 41; total, 97; children, catechised monthly, "openly in the church;" Sunday schools, male 1; teachers, 14; pupils, 107; female, 2; teachers, 30; pupils, 256; total schools, 3; teachers, 44; pupils, 363; Bible class, 1; members, 18.

This church was re-opened with appropriate services by the Bishop, on Sunday, November 22, 1846; having been closed since the 26th April, preceding; during which it was enlarged and materially improved, at a cost of $7,500, including $1,500 for a new organ. During the suspension of public services in the parish, the Rector preached elsewhere 34 times.

Report of the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

This parish, notwithstanding the hindrances from deaths, removals, and false prejudices, is blessed by a steady growth and prosperity. Sound churchmanship and evangelical truth and zeal combined with unity of purpose and spirit, distinguish the members. The church has for some weeks been in the process of repair and improvement, the completion of which is expected by Trinity Sunday. The parish derives importance and

advantage from the several boarding schools in the vicinity; especially from those under Episcopal auspices. Mr. Bolmar's, which is hardly equalled in its merits, enjoys extensive and increasing patronage, and Miss Evans, whose school is most worthy of confidence, has opened with encouraging prospects.

Baptisms, infants, 3; adults, 3; confirmed, 5; communicants added, 6; removed, 6; died, 2; whole number, 41; marriages, 5; burials, 5; collections for domestic missions $20; foreign missions, 34; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 7 25; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 8 36; missions in Chester county, 10 00; alms, 29 88.

Report of Rev. J. C. Clay, Rector of Gloria Dei Church, Southwark, Philadelphia County.

Number of families, 155; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 82; total, 87; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 12; died or removed, 11; present number, 155; marriages, 55; burials, 18. The public services on Sundays and other days have not been so numerous as in other years, owing to the closing of the church from August to December, for the purpose of alterations and improvements. The stated services in the church are two every Sunday, and one on every holy day in the year; besides a Wednesday evening service from September to May, and during the same time a third service on Sunday once a month, for the public catechising of the children. The Sunday schools are two, one male, with 9 teachers, and 90 children; one female, with 13 teachers and 120 children; total, 22 teachers, and 210 pupils. There is one Bible class, with 7 members. The collections for missionary purposes have been $300; of which $235 were for the Swedish mission in Wisconsin, and the balance for miscellaneous purposes. The Sunday schools contributed $30 of the sum. There have been raised for other purposes $280.

Since the last meeting of the Convention this ancient church has been greatly altered and improved; a gallery has been added to it that will seat 128 persons, besides about 150 children, thus increasing the church accommodation more than one-third. The chancel has been enlarged, and a new pulpit placed in it of an octagon shape, and corresponding with the architec-

ture of the church. Behind the pulpit is a stained glass window with appropriate emblems. Other important improvements have been made; the whole well repaying the congregation, in accommodation and beauty, the pecuniary expenditure necessary to their attainment. The whole cost was $2500.

Report of the Rev. William M. Carmichael, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county, Pa.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 130; children, 100; total, 230; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 11; total, 12; communicants added, 2; died or removed, 3; present number, 70; burials, 2; public services on Sundays, 74; other days, 20; total, 94; since the middle of August, when the duties of the parish were assumed; children catechised seven times, 4 in the church, 3 in the Sunday school. Sunday schools, 1; male teachers, 5; pupils, 45; female teachers, 11; pupils, 55; total teachers, 16; pupils, 100. Collections for the Christmas fund, $8 06.

Report of the Rev. R. B. Claxton, Chaplain of the Diocesan Boarding School for Boys, at West Chester, and Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On resigning the charge of St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre, I immediately entered upon the duties of the Chaplaincy of Mr. Bolmar's Boarding School, under the appointment and direction of the Bishop. The school, then large and flourishing, has continued steadily to increase; and the influence of the religious exercises in which the boys have been engaged, has been marked and gratifying. Besides the daily Morning and Evening Family Prayers, they all receive instruction from God's Word in a general Bible Class, every Sunday morning; and most of them attend regularly upon the services of the Church of the Holy Trinity, in Westchester, where they form a large and most interesting portion of the congregation. Those who attend the Episcopal Church recite frequently portions of the Church Catechism on Sunday evenings. We have only to regret that the building, though commodious and well arranged, is likely to be too small to accommodate all whose parents and guardians may wish to secure for them the advantages of the institution.

My record of other ministerial duties for the Convention year is as follows: public services, 94; baptisms, adult 1, infants 3,

total, 4; burials, 5. A severe attack of fever, last fall, incapacitated me for much public duty for nearly three months, or the amount of services would have been greater.

The neighbourhood of West Chester presents an encouraging field for missionary effort, in which I hope to be fully engaged, so far as my duties at the school will permit. In some densely populated school districts there is at present no stated preaching of the Gospel: but I have reason to think that the services of our Church would be acceptable in a high degree.

Report of the Rev. William C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity Church, Pottsville.

Congregation, families, 150; adults, 400; children, 275; total, 675; baptisms, adults, 3; children, 75; total, 78; communicants, added 8; removed, 2; present number, 93; marriages, 12; burials, 15; public services, on Sundays regularly; on all holy days; children catechised, monthly; Sunday schools, one, male and female; 12 teachers; 175 pupils; collections, Episcopal fund, $10 84; Advancement society, 10; Convention fund, 6 25; missionary and other purposes, 300; total, 327 09.

In addition to the above I would state that the sum of $5000 pledged last year for the erection of a larger Church edifice, has been raised to $7000, and that the Church is now in process of erection, in which we hope, by the blessing of its Divine Founder, to be able to gather multitudes of those who are now as sheep without a shepherd, left to wander and perish. The Church is to be built of stone, in the early English Gothic style, and large enough to seat one thousand persons, without galleries; and is to have *interspersed throughout the body*, pews sufficient to seat at least three hundred persons, which are to remain forever free; thereby opening the doors of the sanctuary freely to the poor, the wayfaring man, and the stranger, and giving them as high a seat and full a privilege therein, as the rich and honourable. I would also add, that through the winter months I held a third service in Woodside, six miles distant, and organized a Sunday school, which now consists of a hundred scholars, and is under the care of your Missionary appointed to labour in conjunction with me in this important field.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette Co.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 115; children, 81; total, 196; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 2; total, 7; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 12; died and removed, 5; present number, 65; marriages, 1; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 87; other days, 6; total, 93; children catechised four times; Sunday school, male teachers, 6; female teachers, 8; male scholars, 24; female scholars, 57; total teachers and scholars, 95; collections, Convention fund, $6; missionary and other purposes, 315 53. Total, $321 53.

The Church in this place, under the blessing of Divine Providence, continues to increase, and the spirit of zeal for her interests to be enlarged among the members. Among the contributions which have been made during the past year, it may be well to mention, that, a very liberal sum has been set apart for a Parish Library. The grounds, likewise, around the Church have been materially improved. The grave-yard, which had begun to indicate signs of neglect, being so repaired as to look once more like a Christian, as it is already a time-hallowed, burial place.

But while we have reason to thank Almighty God for what has been done the past year, we are at the same time called to mourn, in the loss of the most prominent and useful member of the Church. Jacob Bowman, Esq., for thirty years the senior warden, and ever the most liberal patron, has been numbered with the dead. To him the Church, both in our own town, and also in the Diocese at large, owes a tribute of esteem, for it is by and through his faithfulness to her interests that we mostly are indebted for what we have, and what we are. It is by and through his zeal and his munificence, that the Church of our common Redeemer has been planted here, and sent down a precious heritage to posterity.

Report of the Rev. William J. Clark, Rector of Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster Co.

Baptisms, infants, 2; services, Sundays, 56; other days, 14; total, 70; communicants, added, 1; total, 34; collection for Church purposes, $31 75.

I resigned the charge of this Parish in November last, having accepted the charge of the Parish of Christ Church, in Williamsport. My ministry of two years and a half was comparatively unsuccessful so far as relates to accessions to the communion of the Church; although I left behind me many who were deeply interested in their everlasting welfare. I pray that God will bless the parish abundantly under the ministry of my successor, and that he may early find that, which for mysterious purposes was withheld from me by Providence—a blessing upon the labour bestowed.

Report of the Rev. Asa S. Colton, Rector of Christ Church, in the borough of Towanda, Bradford Co.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 50; children, 40; total, 90; baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, added, 2; removed, 1; present number, 29; marriages, 2; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 104; also, on the principal holy days, and occasionally at Ulster, 7 miles distant; catechism, now taught in the Sunday school, which is under the superintendence of the Rector, and chiefly taught by him; collections, for the Convention fund, $2 20; communicants offerings, 10 95; for the relief of the Irish, 41 00; Scotch, 25 00.

Report of the Rev. J. H. Coit, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburgh, Dauphin Co.

Congregation, families, 38; baptisms, infant, 16; communicants, present number, 60; marriages, 1; burials, 1; children cathecised monthly; Sunday schools, male teachers, 4; female teachers, 7; scholars, 80; collections, Episcopal fund, $13 50; missionary and other purposes, 311 50.

Report of the Parish of St. Andrew's Church, in Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 236; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 17; total, 22; confirmed, 13; communicants, present number, about 500; marriages, 29; burials, 19; public services, on Sundays, 104; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 180; female, 3; teachers, 30; pupils, 280; total schools, 5; total teachers, 54; total pupils, 460; Bible Classes, 3; members, 75; collections, Episcopal fund, $150 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 100 00; missionary and other purposes, 4620 28; total, 4874 28.

Report of the Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Allegheny, Allegheny Co.

Congregation uncertain, baptisms, children, 35; confirmed, 12; communicants added, 16; died or removed, 7; present number, 85; marriages, 7; burials, 5; public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 18; total, 122; children catechised in the Sunday school monthly; Sunday school, male teachers, 5; female teachers, 5; male pupils, 30; female pupils, 35; total, teachers, 10; total, pupils, 65.

During the past year the parish has been making an effort to reduce its debts; and by liberal contributions among its own members, and by the donation of 1000 dollars from a member of Trinity Church, Pittsburg, its liabilities are now reduced to $2000, to be paid in ten years. We have contributed, as a congregation, to no other object, in the last year, but to the fund for the suffering Irish. All our ability was demanded to relieve us from the embarrassments in which we were involved.

Report of the Rev. John B. Calhoun.

On the 1st of October last, I was dismissed into this Diocese, from that of Western New York, where I had been temporarily officiating in a missionary parish for a few months. Since my return to Philadelphia, I have administered the Holy Communion several times; preached a number of sermons, and otherwise assisted the city and neighbouring Clergy.

Report of the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Rector of St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne County.

Congregation, families, 69; baptisms, adults, 1; infants 5; total, 6; died or removed, 9; present number, 82; burials, 14; Sunday schools, male, 1; pupils, 72; female, 1; pupils, 101; total, teachers, 13; pupils, 173; Bible classes, 2; members, 15; Collections, Episcopal fund, $17 05; Convention fund, $12 37.

The parish has not been supplied with the services of a Clergyman, more than two months during the past year.

Report of the Rev. William J. Clark, Rector of Christ Church, Williamsport, Lycoming County.

Congregation, families, 19; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 1; total, 3; confirmed, 4; communicants added, 4; removed, 3;

present number, 15; marriages, 1; public services, on Sundays, 46; other days, 14; total, 60; children catechised, 14; times, every Sunday; Sunday schools, teachers, female, 4; pupils, female, 15; male, 20; collections, Episcopal fund, $5 72; Convention fund, 5 17; relief of poor in Ireland, 27 65; liquidation of Church debt, 136 00; total, $174 54.

I assumed the charge of this parish on the 15th of November last; and as no record has been made of the occasional services held since the resignation of the last Rector, my report embraces a period of only six months. During a visit to this place, in October, I found the congregation much dispirited, and the most sanguine amongst them doubtful of the ultimate prosperity of the parish. On entering upon my duties as Rector, I was delighted to find a degree of elasticity manifested which appeared to promise favourably. Deprived as they had been of services during a long season, it was more than I had reason to expect, that they should gather unitedly around me, and give me their cordial support. Yet this has been done, and they appear determined to use their best endeavours to sustain their Church, and promote its interests. The generosity of Grace Church in Philadelphia, has enabled them to enjoy the regular services of the sanctuary. This assistance has been cheerfully extended to us, on condition that a specific sum be raised annually, by the congregation, for my support, and that the debt be paid off in three years. I found the debt, originally about $500, increased to nearly or quite $700; and we have succeeded already in reducing it to the amount specified in my report.

Report of the Rev. Thomas J. Davis.

I hereby respectfully report that for the last year, as a missionary I occasionally preached.—Baptized 9 children, performed 11 funerals, and solemnized 4 marriages; administered the Holy Communion 3 times to the sick, and assisted in its public administration 27 times.

Report of the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Phila.

Baptisms, adults, 2; children, 26; total, 28; confirmed, 3, (at a special confirmation); communicants, estimated at about 300; marriages, 10; funerals, 24; public services on Sundays,

89 times; on other days, 52; total, 141. The children of the parish generally, and of the Sunday schools, were catechised every Sunday afternoon in Lent, "openly in the Church," as the rubric requires. Collections, for the Christmas fund, $55 42; Convention fund, 50 00; Episcopal fund, 150 00; for the Advancement Society, 676 58; Sunday school fund, 69 50; missions out of the Diocese, 258 91; special charities, 60 37; parochial purposes, 984 00; the sufferers in Europe, (a few contributions,) 30 50; total, $2,335.28.

Many other sums have been given in the parish for various purposes of religion and charity; but the amount thus contributed cannot be ascertained. It has, however, probably been as much at least as $3000.

The Church was closed for repairs from the second Sunday in July, till the third Sunday in September; in all ten Sundays.

Report of the Rev. Charles M. Dupuy.

The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy reports, that since the last Convention he has, so far as his health would permit, and opportunities were presented, been engaged in preaching, in assisting his brethren in the administration of the Holy Communion, and in the celebration of divine service.

Report of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 220; baptisms, adults, 10; infants, 75; total, 85; confirmed, 30; communicants added, 28; died or removed, 26; present number, 412; marriages, 12; burials, 27; public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 152; total, 256; children catechised, 300; Times, 12; the last Sunday afternoon in each month; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 87; female, 2; teachers, 30; pupils, 200; total, schools, 3; teachers, 40; pupils, 287; Bible classes, 2; members, 25; collections, Episcopal fund, $150 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 263 77; Missionary and other purposes, 4876 45; total, 5290 22.

The above contributions were to the following objects, viz: Convention and Episcopal funds, $200 00; General Theological Seminary, 30 00; Prayer Book Societies, 212 50; Sunday schools, 501 93; missions, 994 02; relief of parish poor,

1257 95; for poor in Ireland and Scotland, 817 14; aiding churches, 1276 68; total, 5290 22.

Report of the Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery Co.

Congregation, families, 31; adults, 98; children, 35; total, 133; baptisms, adults, 8; confirmed, 11; communicants added, 8; removed, 2; present number, 34; burials, 4; public services on Sundays, 47; other days, 10; total, 57; children catechised, several times; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 16; female, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 17; total, schools, 2; teachers, 4; pupils, 33.

Through the indefatigable exertions of Mr. Henry M. Sheaff and sisters, we have been enabled during the past year to erect a substantial stone tower; and through the liberality, unsolicited, of some of our friends in Philadelphia, we have furnished the same with a sweet toned bell, which is heard at the distance of several miles from the church. A very convenient, and handsomely finished vestry room has been fitted up on the first floor of the tower, and several appropriate improvements have been made in the chancel. The Church is growing steadily—she is viewed with increasing favor by the surrounding denominations of Christians, many of whom regularly attend her services. Peace and harmony prevail; and we desire to record our grateful thanks, 'to him who hath loved us, and bought us with his own blood,' and say, 'hitherto hath the Lord helped us.'

Report of the Rev. Heman Dyer, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 50; children, 75; total, 120; baptisms, infants, 15; total, 15; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 6; present number, 28; marriage, 1; burials, 2; public services on Sundays, 78; other days, 2; total, 80; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 60; collections, Episcopal fund, $4 00; Missionary and other purposes 41 66.

During the past year, I have preached some twenty times in different places out of my parish. I have also for some time had charge of a Bible class in the city. My principal attention has been, however, to my duties in the University.

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Report of the Rev. George C. Drake, Rector of St. James's Church, Schuylkill Haven, Schuylkill county.

Sunday services, 74; week day, 35; total, 109; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 12; total, 13; burials, 5; marriages, 6; communicants added, 3; died or removed, 7; present number, 27; communion administered, public, 6; private, to the sick, 2; total, 8; Bible class, members, 13; collections, Sunday school of the parish, $13 24; Episcopal fund, 6 24; relief of the Irish and Scotch, 45 77; total, 65 25; Sunday school, about 50 scholars, and 4 teachers.

The services for the latter part of the year were much disturbed, by sickness in the Rector's family, resulting in death. The severity of his affliction called forth the kindness and sympathy of his congregation in an eminent degree, for which he desires to record his thankfulness.

Report of the Rev. Robert Davis.

During the last year my health has not been adequate to any pulpit service.

Report of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Presbyter.

Baptisms, infants, 2; marriages, 3; burials, 5; public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 25; administration of holy communion in private, twice.

Since the last Convention, I have not been idle nor unuseful. I have supplied several destitute places in the country, and I have assisted my brethren by performing Divine service, preaching, administering the holy communion, and visiting the sick. Within the last eight or nine weeks, I have officiated in the vacant parish of Mantua. The Lord appears to vouchsafe his blessing; the congregation is evidently on the increase, and there is a good prospect of the Sunday school being enlarged and improved.

Report of the Rev. George A. Durborow, Rector of the Church of the Redemption, Fairmount, S. G.

Congregation, families, 65; adults, 161; children, 117; total, 278; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 55; total, 59; communicants added, 10; died or removed, 7; present number, 37; marriages, 7; burials, 29; public services, on Sundays, 122; other days, 18; total 140; children catechised, monthly;

Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 9; pupils, 78; female teachers, 7; pupils, 91; total, teachers, 16; pupils, 169; collections, total, $311 68.

On the 6th of March last, the corner stone of the new Church, corner of Schuylkill Front and Callowhill sts., was laid by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter. It is to be a neat gothic edifice, and just suited to the wants of the community in which I am labouring as a Missionary.

Through the grace of God, my labours during the past year have been blest to the spiritual improvement of many. Our congregation has steadily increased.

Report of the Rev. J. H. Fowles, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Phila.

Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 55; total, 56; confirmed, 20; communicants, removed or died, 12; stricken from the list, because their history cannot be traced, or because they have neither held seats, nor worshipped in the Church for years, 120; added, 48; number corresponding very nearly with present actual communion, 524; burials, adults, 15; children, 12; total, 27; Sunday school, teachers, 74; pupils, 840; public services, 197; contributions towards religious and charitable objects, $5956 00.

Report of the Rev. William Flint, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie, Erie county.

Congregation, families, 71; adults, 160; children, 111; total, 271; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 10; total, 12; communicants added, 10; died or removed, 5; present number, 76; marriage, 1; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 90; other days, 11; total, 101; children catechised, 45; times, monthly in the Church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 40; total, schools, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 60; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $20 00; Missionary and other purposes, 90 00; total, 110 00.

The church building is now being enlarged and beautified, at an expense of from $1,500 to $2,000, the greater part of which has already been collected from the congregation, and the remainder will be obtained by the sale of the additional pews.

The Church will thus remain, as we learn it ever has been, free from debt.

Report of the Rev. George G. Field, Rector of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county.

Families, 11; adults, 35, children, 38; total, 73; communicants, removed, 1; added, 3; present number, 20; children baptized, 2; Sunday services, 92; other days, 39; total, 131; Sunday school teachers, 6; scholars, 20; children catechised, 1; funerals, 2; alms for the relief of the Irish, $14 00; collection for the Jews, 2 15; Advancement Society, 3 22; other purposes, 69 10; total, 88 47. In addition to the above sums, $100 00 was raised for the payment of a debt upon the Church edifice, and a like sum was received from without the parish for the same purpose.

Report of the Rev. Colley A. Foster, Rector of St. James' Church, Muncy, Lycoming county.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 165; children, 75; total, 240; baptisms, infants, 5; confirmed, 2; communicants added, 2; died or removed, 20; present number, 104; marriages, 2; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, twice, with few exceptions; other days, 14; total, 110; children catechised, 15; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 1; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 50; collections, Episcopal fund, $6 00; Christmas fund, 7 14; Irish sufferers, 30 00; Convention fund, 6 66; total, 49 80.

I officiate once a fortnight at Goosetown, a place two miles off—the congregation numerous and attentive.

Report of the Rev. George P. Hopkins, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown.

In reporting the present condition of his parish, he feels gratified to say, that although since the date of his last report to the Convention, there have arisen many and great difficulties, yet by the blessing of God, much also has been accomplished. In September last, the corner-stone of a new Church was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese. The architecture of the early English style; dimensions, sixty feet by thirty-seven—material of stone, and of an excellent description. The building has so far advanced as to warrant the belief, that nothing but a deficiency of pecuniary means need prevent its completion by the end of autumn

next. Judging from the liberality of our friends hitherto, it is fondly hoped that such an extension of the same Christian spirit, will be exercised as will obviate any serious delay in accomplishing a result so important and desirable.

Many thanks are due to the Female Association of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, and also to several pious laymen, without whose aid and co-operation, the mission could not have been sustained. When an arrangement can be effected for the residence of myself and family, within the limits of my parish, it will, I am sure, conduce much to the spiritual welfare of the flock, by giving me more time for parochial visiting.

Report of the Rev. N. Sayre Harris, Rector of the Nativity Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 43: total, 47; confirmed, 12; communicants added, 19; died and removed, 10; present number, 98; marriages, 14; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 28; total, 132; children catechised, 52 times; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 91; female, 1; teachers, 17; pupils, 120; infant, 2; teachers, 2; pupils, 225; total, schools, 4; teachers, 29; pupils, 436; Bible classes, 2; members, 26; collections, missionary and other purposes, $394 86.

Parish in a promising condition.

Report of the Rev. William J. Hilton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Kittanning, and Trinity Church, Freeport, Armstrong county.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KITTANNING.

Baptisms, infants, 9; total, 9; communicants added, 6; died or removed, 2; present number, 38; marriages, 2; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 40; other days, 5; total, 45; children catechised, 15; times, 6; Sunday schools, male 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 55; colllections, missionary and other purposes, $56 50.

This congregation has laboured under great inconvenience for the last two years, in consequence of the destruction of the Church edifice; during which time we have had no regular place for holding our services. But our prospects begin to brighten. Our

Church, now in course of erection, will, we hope, be ready for consecration in July next, when our accommodations will be better and more ample than they have ever yet been. May the Lord crown the whole with his blessing, for "Except the Lord build the house, their labour is but lost that build it."

TRINITY CHURCH, FREEPORT.

Baptisms, infants, 5; communicants added, 2; died or removed, 3; present number, 49; public services, on Sundays, 37; other days, 6; total, 43; children catechised, 14; times, 5; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 28; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 34; Bible class, 1; members, 20; collections for various purposes, $47 50.

Report of the Rev. Richard D. Hall.

The Rev. R. D. Hall reports to the Bishop, that during the last Conventional year, he has been engaged in the duties of his ministry, according to opportunity and his physical ability, by preaching the Word, and in prayers, and in administering the sacraments, and in assisting his brethren in town and country, in the Diocese, and beyond its limits; he has celebrated 4 marriages; baptized 3 infants; and performed one funeral service for an infant.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Rector of St. James' Church, Downingtown, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 58: children, 64; total, 122; baptisms, infants, 6; total, 6; confirmed, 4; communicants added, 4; died or removed, 4; present number, 16; marriages, 4; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 11; total, 115; children catechised, 40; times, 9; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 50; Bible class, 1; members, 9; collections, Episcopal fund, $6 50; missionary and other purposes, 18 00; total, 24 50.

The condition of the parish I consider as encouraging as the size of the Church will admit. The congregation has been uniformly good; and though little has been contributed for missionary purposes, yet more than two hundred dollars of the debt has been paid off.

Report of the Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of St. John's Church, York, York county.

Congregation, families, 26; adults, 63; children, 28; total, 91; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 8; total, 9; confirmed, 5; communicants added, 6; suspended, 1; present number, 33; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 99; other days, 62; total, 161; children catechised, 15; times, 3; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 50; collections, Episcopal fund, $10 00; Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 3 00; Convention fund, 2 00; missionary and other purposes, 61 00; total, 76 00.

Report of the Rev. M. Hirst, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Minersville, Schuylkill County.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 150; children, 60; total, 210; baptisms, adults, 1; children, 36; total, 37; marriages, 1; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 72; other days, 10; total, 82; collections, Convention fund, 5 cents; other purposes, 14 00; total, 14 05.

The corner stone of a new church edifice for this parish, was laid by the Rev. Dr. Bull, in October last, and will be ready for consecration in July next. Its dimensions are thirty-five feet wide and fifty feet deep, and will afford sittings for about three hundred and fifty persons.

In addition to my labours at Minersville, I have officiated at Schuylkill Haven, Pottsville, Minehill Gap, Lewellyn, Costerville, Forestville and Painsville. I have cause for gratitude to the divine Head of the Church, for the attention given to his preached word, and the kindness with which my services have been received.

Report of the Rev. G. Emlen Hare, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 7; total, 9; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 1; present number, 41; marriages, 4; burials, 2; public services on Sundays, 104; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers. 7; pupils, 40; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 60; total, schools, 2; teachers, 15; pupils, 100;

Report of the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Phila.

Congregation, 180 families; whole number, about 950 persons. Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 23; total, 25; confirmed, 19; communicants added, 40; died or removed, 5; present number, 250; marriages, 5; burials, 8. Public services have been held in the Church, twice on every Sunday, throughout the year—and once on every holy day; on every Wednesday evening, from the first of October to May; and on Wednesdays and Fridays throughout the season of Lent. Children catechised, 6 times; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 153; female, 2; teachers, 22; pupils, 238; total, teachers, 34; pupils, 391; Bible classes, members, 56. A parish school of 120 pupils, under the care of two teachers, is connected with this Church, and sustained by its contributions throughout the year. Collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $164 60; Missionary and other purposes, 2354 54; total, 2519 14.

Report of the Rev. H. T. Hiester, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 64; children, 71; total, 135; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants added, 1; removed, 2; present number, 33; marriages, 2; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 100; other days, 70; total, 170; children catechised monthly; Sunday school teachers, male, 4; female, 4; scholars, male, 22; female, 18; total, 30; collections, relief of Ireland, $32 32; Sabbath Association, 20 00; Christmas fund, 6 24; Convention fund, 4 40; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 3 00; Advancement Society, 3 00; Episcopal fund, 3 75; other purposes, 14 21; total, 86 92.

In addition to the above collections, between three and four hundred dollars have been expended on repairs, in the interior of the Church during the past year; which I regret to say, has lately been injured greatly by fire, but we have great reason for gratitude to Providence, that no serious injury has been done to the building itself.

Report of the Rev. Joseph Jaquett.

The Rev. Joseph Jaquett reports that he has been employed during the past Ecclesiastical year, in teaching Theological Students the Hebrew language.

Report of the Rev. N. M. Jones, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Uniontown, Fayette Co., and Missionary at Grace Church, Manalen, same county.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, UNIONTOWN.

Communicants, removed, 5; added, 10; present number, 39; confirmed, 7; female Bible class, 1; members, 17; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, male, 4; female, 7; pupils, 85; children catechised monthly, sometimes oftener. The services in this Church, have been statedly and regularly celebrated. The Church has been opened for divine services, upon the chief festivals and fasts, (including the season of Lent.) The Holy Communion is administered monthly; marriages, 3; baptisms, adults, females, 3; infants, females, 4; males, 5; total, 9; burial, 1; weekly offerings at the offertory, (including $28 50 for Ireland,) 90 00; other contributions for Church purposes, 100 00; total, 190 00.

GRACE CHURCH, MANALEN.

Communicants omitted in last report, 2; present number, 10; baptisms, infants, males, 1; females, 2; total, 3. The services of the Church, are statedly and regularly celebrated in this Church, once in two weeks, with some occasional services. The Holy Communion is administered once in two months; Communion offerings, $7 91.

This was once a large congregation. But by means of deaths, removals, and neglect, it has fallen into a very weak state, from which it will take some time to recover. The regular attendance of the congregation is encouraging.

Report of the Rev. Edward C. Jones, Missionary.

The Missionary would report, that since November 1st, 1846, he has been engaged in labouring among the colored population in the district of Moyamensing. He would append the following brief schedule of his services. Regular Church services, 56 times; marriages, 8; baptisms, 7; interments, 2; visits to the sick and afflicted, 493; Prayer books distributed, 19; Tracts, do. 821; clothing, 181; soup tickets, 52; orders for wood, 13; number of scholars attached to the Sunday school, about 60; teachers, 5.

It is confidently anticipated that this enterprise will eventuate in the erection of a commodious church edifice, where persons

of colour hitherto too sadly neglected, may be nurtured in the pure faith of the gospel without money and without price; may the great Head of the Church still follow with his blessing an undertaking so propitiously commenced, and in its progress hitherto, so remarkably successful.

Report of the Rev. J. J. Kerr, Rector of Advent Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia,

Congregation, families, 107; adults, 430; children, 313; total, 850; baptisms, infants, 14; total, 14; communicants added, 9; died or removed, 11; present number, 127; marriages, 12; burials, 13; public services on Sundays, 204; other days, 74; total, 278; children catechised, 130; times, 13; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 112; female, 1; teachers, 13; pupils, 113; total, schools, 2; teachers, 25; pupils, 225; Bible classes, 1; members, 18; collections, Episcopal fund, $10 60; Convention fund, 10 59; missionary and other purposes, 650; total, 671 19.

Report of the Rev. George Kirke, Rector of St. John's Church, New London, and Minister of St. James's Church, West Marlborough.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, N. L.

Baptisms, children, 4; communicants, added, 1; died, 2; present number, 25; burials, 2; public services with sermons, on the Lord's day, 28; other days, 17; total, 45; children catechised, times, 8; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 23; Bible classes, 2; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 25; Convention fund, 4 00; domestic missions, 3 50.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, W. M.

Communicants, 2; public services with sermons, on the Lord's day, 26; other days, 8; total, 34. The circumstances of this Church have been such, that no collections have been made for any, but parochial purposes.

The Minister of the abovenamed Churches, besides performing other official duties in various places, has also, during the past year, visited the Chester county Prison and Poor House, every other Lord's day. Services with sermons in the former, 25; in the latter, 25; 17 prisoners have been visited in their respective cells before dismission. In the Poor House, 68 visits

have been made in rooms occupied principally by the sick and the afflicted, with appropriate services, and 2 children baptized.

Report of the Rev. Milton C. Lightner, Rector of Christ Church, Danville, Columbia County.

Baptisms, adults, 6; infants, including one by the Bishop, 39; total, 45; confirmed, including 9 in Derry, and 3 in Sunbury, 37; communicants added, 18; died, 2; removed, 6; present number, 72; marriages, 6; burials, 25; public services on Sundays, 126; other days, 53; total, 179; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 11; female teachers, 15; scholars above 200; children catechised weekly in the S. school; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $16 50; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 20 75; female Prayer Book Society, 5 18¾; Christmas collection, 11 00; poor in Europe, including 8 00 in Derry, 69 00; Convention fund, 12 00; Episcopal fund, 17 00; Sunday school, 34 62½; missionary and other purposes, 68 00; total, 254 06¼.

I have officiated regularly in Derry and Fruitstown, and occasionally in other places. In Derry, a beautiful plank church edifice has been commenced under very favourable auspices. The design is by Carver and Hall of Philadelphia, obtained through the kindness of Rev. Dr. Morton. The Church is named St. James, and the corner-stone was laid by the Bishop, on the 23d of April.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Leaf, Rector of Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, Berks county.

CHRIST CHURCH, POTTSTOWN.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 102; children, 46; total, 148; baptisms, infants, 3; confirmed, 5; communicants added, 6; died or removed, 4; present number, 38; marriages, 9; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 40; total, 92; children catechised, 21; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 22; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 26; total, schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 43; Bible class, 1; members, 5; collections, for the suffering poor in Ireland, $50 00; for missionary and other purposes, 160 00; total, 210 00.

During the past year, the members of this congregation had the

pleasure of seeing their new Church finished, paid for, and consecrated. It cost four thousand dollars, and is built in the Gothic style. It is hoped that hereafter the Church will be furnished with a bell and an organ. In the meantime, may that best of music, spiritual worship, ascend from the hearts and lips of those who meet within its walls.

St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin.

Congregation, families, 55; adults, 150; children, 104; total, 254; baptisms, adults, 10; infants, 5; total, 15; confirmed, 20; communicants added, 17; present number, 64; marriages, 5; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 10; total, 62; children catechised, 30; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 37; total, schools, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 67; collections, for the poor in Ireland, $8 00; for missionary and other purposes, 65 00; total, 73 00.

The state and prospects of this congregation are very encouraging. The services of the Church are well attended, and not without result. Many have confessed Christ in His ordinances, and many more seem disposed to live in view of things unseen. As a people, the members of the Church here are united, teachable, free from a factious spirit, and seemingly desirous of understanding and practising the truth. May the God of peace and grace, permit His blessing to rest upon them.

Report of the Rev. Dr. Lyons.

The Rev. Dr. Lyons, in accordance with the requirements of the Canon, presents to the Right Rev. the Bishop of Pennsylvania, this statement of his ministerial engagements for the last twelve months. Since the 26th of May, 1846, he has officiated 81 times; preached 48 times; attended one funeral, and taken a part in administering the Holy Communion on nine different occasions. Dr. Lyons thinks it due to himself to say, that during the past year, as during every other since he first entered the ministry, his clerical services have been entirely gratuitous. He has never, in a single instance, sought or accepted any gift, return, or compensation as a teacher of Christianity.

Report of the Rev. Edwin N. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swedes') Church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 20; confirmed, 1; marriages, 3; burials, 10; communion, number of times administered, 8; average attending communions, 27; new communicants, 4; died or removed, 9; present number, 43; Sunday school, during the summer months; average attendance, teachers, 8; scholars, 40; collections, Advancement Society, $5 66; Christmas fund, 4 00; Swedish mission, Wisconsin, 6 00; for poor of Ireland, 17 00; other purposes, 16 44; total, 49 10.

I officiate once a day, every second Sunday, at Conshehocken, the attendance is very encouraging. We expect soon to organize a parish in this place, and had we funds to erect a place of worship, I do not doubt but that the Church would be soon established.

Report of the Rev. F. Lane, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 35; children, 25; total, 60; baptisms, infants, 1; communicants, added, 1; removed, 1; present number, 15; marriage, 1; burial, 1; public services, on Sundays and other days, 52; Sunday school, 1; pupils, 25; collections, Convention fund, $2 50; parochial purposes, 16 00; for the relief of the Irish, 50 00; total, 68 50.

Five years have now elapsed since I took charge of this parish, and the accessions to the Episcopal Church, during this period, compared with those of other denominations in the place, have been important and excellent.

Report of the Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Meadville, Crawford county.

Since my last report, being in ill health, and under the necessity of giving up the charge of my parish, (St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg,) I have performed the following services, mostly in Bloomsburg, viz:

Baptized 3 infants; added to the Holy Communion, 9; married 4 couple; buried 8 persons; officiated on Sundays 36 times; other days, 16 times; total, 52; catechised the children in Sunday school a number of times, and collected for divers purposes, $13 66; of which, 6 33 was for the Convention fund; and 6 00 for the Church at Kittanning. My health has somewhat improved, I trust, by rest and release from the cares of a

parish, yet not sufficiently to enable me to resume the active duties of the ministry.

Report of the Rev. J. Long, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Milford, St. Paul's Church, Montrose, and St. Andrew's Church, Springville, Susquehannah Co.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 75; children, 20; total, 95; baptisms, infants, 3; total, 3; present number, about 25; marriage, 1; public services on Sundays, 30; other days, 7; total, 37; Sunday schools, about to be organized; Bible classes, do. do. Collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $1 25; missionary and other purposes, 33 93; total, 35 18.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MONTROSE.

Congregation, families, 18; adults, 60; children, 15; total, 75; baptisms, infants, 7; total, 7; communicants added, 2; died, 1; present number, 23; burials, 5; public services on Sundays, 48; other days, 36; total, 84; children catechised, 12; times, 2; Sunday school, 1; scholars, 15; teachers, 4; Bible class, 1; members, 9; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $1 37½; missionary and other purposes, 20 75; total, $22 12½.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, SPRINGVILLE.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 105; children, 60; total, 171; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 2; total, 4; communicants added, 1; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 62; marriage, 1; burials, 3; public services on Sundays, 32; other days, 17; total, 49; children catechised, 60; times, 5; Sunday school, male and female, 1; teachers, 14; pupils, 60; Bible class, 1; members, 35; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $2 30; missionary and other purposes, 18 00; total, $20 30.

In addition to the above, I have officiated at Tunkhannock in Wyoming county, 5 times. On the 31st of Octocer last, a parish was organized in that place, by the name of the Nativity; and a vestry elected. I regret that I was unable to visit there more frequently; but I could not do so consistently with other duties. I entered upon this charge, the first Sunday in June, being Whitsunday, and at the first perceived that it was too extensive. I am thankful indeed, that there is now a prospect of

having another labourer in this most important and interesting field. I have received and accepted calls from the vestries of St. Mark's, New Milford, and St. Paul's, Montrose; and suppose also, that I shall be retained as Missionary in the employ of the Advancement Society. There is much missionary ground around me; and the two parishes alone cannot support me. The Church is yet weak; but growing I believe, day by day. I am encouraged; I am thankful: God does now smile upon us; and we will trust in Him.

Report of the Rev. J. H. Marsden, Rector of Christ Church, Huntington Township, Adams County.

Baptism, adult, 1; confirmed, 2; communicants added, 2; burials, 2.

Besides the regular services of the Church, I am in the habit of preaching at schoolhouses in the neighbourhood, where I have an opportunity of addressing some, who seldom, if ever visit a place consecrated to the worship of God.

The Sunday school was necessarily suspended during the inclement season of winter, and owing to peculiar circumstances, has not yet been resumed, but will be, as soon as practicable.

The debt upon our chapel has been fully liquidated. For the noble liberality which has enabled us to effect so desirable an object, we feel that we cannot be sufficiently thankful.

The glebe consisting of about 160 acres, belonging to the Church, the proceeds of which are restricted to the support of the Clergyman, and which had for years yielded scarcely more than was requisite to pay taxes and repairs, begins, I think, to appear in somewhat better condition, and to be a little more profitable. The soil has been, however, so much exhausted by a miserable system of agriculture, that it can never be productive, till thoroughly renovated by lime and good husbandry. Our excellent warden Mr. Wolford, has lately placed it, as was the custom many years ago, under the immediate control of the Rector, who selects his own tenant, and gives it a more careful supervision than it could otherwise receive. By this arrangement, it is hoped, the farm will shortly present a much better aspect than heretofore.

Report of the Rev. T. H. Michell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie County.

Congregation, families, 25, adults, 58, children, 32, total, 115; baptisms, infants, 3, total, 3; communicants added, 3, died, 1, present number, 27; burials, 3; public services on Sundays, 52, other days, 4, total, 56; children catechised, 17, weekly, from April 1, to Nov. 1.

The condition and prospects of this small parish are such as to call for little remark. It will be sufficient perhaps to state that the same kind feeling and harmonious action continue, as heretofore, between the Church and the pastor.—It is still the day of small and feeble things, yet we are not entirely without a hope of something better for the future.

Report of the Rev. A. A. Marple.

I hereby send you a report of what has been done by me, since you admitted me to deacon's orders. In the month of August, by your directions, I visited Athens, Bradford co. I remained in Athens nine weeks, and held services twice on every Sunday. In October, I left Athens, came to Bloomsburg, and took charge of St. Paul's Church in the latter place. Services have been held twice on every Sunday. Baptisms, adult, 1, infant, 13; confirmed, 3; communicants, about 95; marriages, 5; burials, 9; Sunday school, scholars in general attendance, 80, teachers, 20; Bible class, (held on Tuesday evening) members, 12 to 15; Collections, $47 00.

This report is necessarily imperfect, as it extends back no further than October. Occasional services were also held for about three months at Jerseytown. The congregations were in general good. The services at Jerseytown have been discontinued, but will be resumed at the end of summer.

Report of the Rev. D. H. Macurdy, Rector of St. James the Less Church, near the Falls of Schuylkill, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, about 125; baptisms, adults, 2, children, 11, and one "received," baptized privately, total, 14; confirmed, 7; communicants, 18; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 52, other days, 5, total, 57; children catechised, 22 times; Sun-

day schools, male, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 34, female, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 60, total, schools, 2, teachers, 8, pupils, 94; collections for other than parochial purposes, $37 00.

The congregation belonging to this parish, has from the time of its organization been worshipping in a building which is otherwise occupied on Sundays, except in the afternoon. On Sunday mornings the rector superintends the Sunday schools of the parish; which meet in another part of the same building. A beautiful and substantial church edifice is being erected, which, it is expected, will be completed during the ensuing summer. The present rector's connexion with this parish, began on the 6th of August last. He has officiated elsewhere since his ordination, on the 28th of June last, 76 times.

Report of the Rev. John J. McElhinny.

During the last twelve months that I have been without a parish, my labours have been limited to the occasional assistance of my brethren in this neighborhood. My report is therefore necessarily brief. Performed service and preached twenty-nine times in the following places: Pittsburg, Alleghany city, Laceyville, Brownsville, Uniontown, Manalen, Connellsville, and Greensburg. Baptisms, infants, 2; marriage, 1; burial, 1.

Report of the Rev. R. U. Morgan, D. D. Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks county.

Congregation, families, 60, adults, 198, children, 89, total, 287; baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 16, total, 17; communicants added, 15, died, 1, removed, 7, stricken from the list for *non-attendance*, 6, present number, 103; burials, 1 adult; public services, on Sundays, 99, other days, 68, total, 167; marriages, 10; Sunday schools, 2, male teachers, 17, female, 16, male pupils, 70, female, 80, total, teachers, 32, pupils, 150. The children of the Sunday schools are catechised frequently, by the Rector. Collections, Episcopal fund, $30 00, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 10 63, Convention fund of the Diocese, 10 00, Christmas fund, 12 00, for sufferers of Ireland and Scotland, 145 48, Board of Missions, 79 24, for other purposes connected with the parish, $485 27, total, $765 52.

An enlargement of the Church edifice, (which will give forty additional pews,) is in progress. The interior of the Church, will also be improved, in architectural taste and order.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Moorhouse.

Since my last report, I have been engaged in assisting the Rector of St. Peter's Church in this city. From that period to the present, I have officiated in the public services of the Church, 670 times; baptized 16 children; married 3 couple; and attended 11 funerals; making in all, 700 services performed. On the 1st of April, I was appointed by the Advancement Society, city missionary for the district of Southwark. My engagement at St. Peter's, having now expired, I hope so soon as a suitable building can be procured, to have the stated services of the Church.

Report of the Rev. B. Wistar Morris, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland county.

Congregation, families, 21, adults, 61, children, 51, total, 112; baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 3, total, 4; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 4, died or removed, 8, present number, 22; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 62, other days, 37, total, 99; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 3, pupils, 15, female, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 39, total, schools, 2, teachers, 11, pupils, 54; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $6 50, Convention fund, 7 00, Christmas fund, 10 00, relief for Ireland and Scotland, 40 00, other purposes, 44 00, total, $107 50.

This report embraces only the time between August 23, 1846, and May 1st, 1847. Between the time of my ordination and August 23d, when I entered upon the duties of this parish, I assisted in the services and preached at different places twenty times.

When I took charge of the parish, it had been without services for more than a year, in consequence of which, the interests of the Church had suffered materially. Since that time there has been a manifest improvement. I hold service every Sunday afternoon in Northumberland, where I think we have good ground for encouragement. With a little aid from abroad we

shall be able to build a small Church there during the present year. I have held service at the towns of Lewisburg and Milton, distant from Sunbury twelve and fourteen miles, and think that there is a fair prospect of reviving the Church in the latter place. I have cheering hopes for the interests of the Church in this region, and amid the uncertainties and changes of the religious bodies around us, can see that her decency and good order are making a wholesome impression upon men's minds.

Report of the Rev. H. J. Morton, D.D. Rector of St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, infants, 18, adults, 2, total, 20; confirmed, 11; communicants added, 22, died or removed, 6, total number, about 350; marriages, 10; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 108, other days, 99, total, 207; Holy Communion celebrated monthly, and on all principal festivals; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 4, scholars, 27; female, 1, teachers, 15, scholars, 63; infant, 1, teachers, 5, scholars, 76; Bible class, 1, teacher, 1, scholars, 14, coloured class, 1, teacher, 1, scholars, 5, total, teachers, 26, scholars, 185; children catechised every Sunday afternoon; parish school, teachers, 5, scholars, 160; collections, at Communion, $559 24, relief of Ireland and Scotland, 647 41, monthly missionary collection, 259 21, quarterly collection, 1417 02, contribution for parish school, 161 00, missionary purposes, 450 00, total, $3493 88.

Report of the Rev. J. Gordon Maxwell, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Kensington, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 43, total, 45; confirmed, 8; communicants added, 17, died or removed, 10, present number, 182; marriages, 7; burials, 20; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 70, total, 174; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 9, pupils, 130, female, 1, teachers, 15, pupils, 201, total, schools, 2, teachers, 24, pupils, 331; Bible classes, 3, members, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $5 00, missionary and other purposes, 195 00, total, 200 00.

Report of the Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. James' church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, 54, adults, 200, children, 160, total, 360; baptisms, infants, 8; communicants added, 2, died, 1,

present number, 81; marriages, 5; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 52, other days, 26, total, 78; children catechised, 4, times, 2; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 5, pupils, 40, female, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 30, total, schools, 2, teachers, 13, pupils, 70; collections, Convention fund, $5 00, Christmas fund, 6 23, for objects connected with the Church, 350 00, other purposes, 33 00, total, $394 23.

Report of the Rev. H. E. Montgomery, Rector of All Saints' Church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 74, adults, 150, children, 175, total, 325; baptisms, adults, 4, infants, 37, total, 41; confirmed, 18; communicants added, 25, died or removed, 1, present number, 70; marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 18, total, 122; children catechised, times, 9, number, 184; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 47, female, 2, teachers, 14, pupils, 137, total, schools, 3, teachers, 22, pupils, 184; Bible class, 1, members, 17; collections, missionary and other purposes, $20 00, communion collection every month for the poor of the parish, averaging about $3 00 per month.

The present Rector took charge of All Saints' parish in August last, and this report covers principally a space of nine months. The collections as yet taken up, have been mostly appropriated to the church building, which is unfinished at the present time.

Report of the Rev. Edwin Mendenhall, Rector of St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne county.

Congregation, families, 15, adults, 40, children, 35, total, 75; baptisms, infants 3, total, 3; communicants added, 1, died or removed, 2, present number, 18; marriages, 4; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 52, and on other occasions in the surrounding neigbourhood, about 15, total, 67; children catechised on the first Sunday in each month; Sunday school, 1; teachers 6, pupils, 30; Bible class, 1, members, 10; collections, Convention fund, 2 37, missionary and other purposes, 9 50, total, $11 87.

Church edifice under contract.

Report of the Rev. E. Neville, Rector of St. Philip's church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 231; baptisms, adults, 9, infants, 21, total, 30; confirmed, 13; communicants, added, 21, died or removed, 3, present number, 318; marriages, 23; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 108, other days, 130, total, 238; children catechised, 6; Sunday schools, male, 2, teachers 19, pupils, 210, female, 2, teachers, 19, pupils, 225, total, schools, 4, teachers, 38, pupils, 435; Bible classes, 2, members, 50; collections, Episcopal fund, $50 00, missionary and other purposes, $3323 69, total, $3373 69.

Report of the Rev. George W. Natt, Rector of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre county.

Congregation, adults, 74, children, 80, total, 154; baptisms, infants, 9; communicants, added, 2, removed, 3, present number, 32; marriages, 2; public services, on Sundays, 90; other days, 51, total, 141; children catechised monthly, 40; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 7, pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $7 25, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 17 00, missionary and other purposes, 149 86.

In addition to these collections, the Ladies Sewing circle has raised $225 00 for Church expenses, a part of this sum being appropriated to aid in the erection of a tower, and $300 00 have been subscribed to pay off all the debts of the congregation.

The gift of God which cannot be purchased with money, has not, we humbly trust, been withheld by Him, whose property is always to have mercy.

Report of the Rev. J. P. Nash, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 25, adults, 70, children, 67, total, 137; baptisms, infants, 17; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 7, died or removed, 2, present number, 15; marriage, 1; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 58; other days, 9, total, 67; children catechised, occasionally; Sunday school, 1, male teachers, 3, pupils, 27, female teachers, 5, pupils, 33, total, teachers, 8, pupils, 60; collections, missionary and other purposes, $42 60.

Report of the Rev. Richard Newton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, 900; baptisms, adults, 7, infants, 21, total, 28; confirmed, 20; communicants, added, 26, died or removed, 6, present number, 400; marriages, 16; burials, 20; public services on Sundays, 104, other days, 120, total, 224; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 13, pupils, 100, female, 1, teachers, 20, pupils, 130, infant, 1, pupils, 100, total schools, 3, teachers, 33, pupils, 330; Bible classes, 3, members, 250; collections, Convention fund, $25 00, missionary and other purposes, 2050 00; total, $2075 00.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Herbert Norris, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.

Baptisms, infants, 11; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 5, died 1, removed, 3, present number, 47; burial, 1; divine service celebrated twice each Sunday, once on each holy day, and on the Ember days—daily in Passion week, and twice during the other weeks of Lent. The children are catechised monthly in the church. Sunday school, 1, teachers, 3, pupils, about 25; collections, Episcopal fund, $10 00, missionary and other charities, 222 29, total, $232 29.

Report of the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Philada.

Congregation, families, 240; baptisms, adults, 11, infants, 59, received infant baptized in private, 1, total, 71; confirmed, 25; communicants added, 31, died or removed, 3, present number, 386; marriages, 12; burials, 20; public services, on Sundays, 108, on Holy days, 89, on other days, 598, total, 795; holy communion celebrated 32 times; children catechised, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 12, pupils, 79; female, 1, teachers, 29, pupils, 156; infant, 1, teachers, 9, pupils, 119; catechetical classes, 2, teachers, 2, pupils 29; Bible class, 1, teacher, 1, pupils, 23; day school, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 120; adult school, 1, teachers, 12, pupils, 40; collections, Bishop's fund, $150 00, Convention fund, 75 00, Soc. for Adv. of Christianity, 400 00, Bible committee, 90 00, General Theological Seminary, 50 00, Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 97 00, Female Prayer Book Society, 50 00, for the poor in Europe, 1000 00, missionary and other benevolent purposes, 2030 09, total, $3942 09; amount contributed at the offertory

on Sundays, 1427 95, do. do. on Holy days, 682 10, distributed in charities specially parochial, 596 73.

On the 6th of April, being Tuesday in Easter-week, the Right Reverend, the Bishop of the Diocese, admitted the Rev. Samuel Moorhouse to the order of Priesthood, in St. Peter's Church, where, since March 6, 1846, he had discharged the office of a deacon, assisting the Priest in divine service, &c. &c., as provided in the ordinal.

The Church is open for the Morning and Evening prayer, daily throughout the year: for the Litany, separately, at 12 o'clock every Wednesday and Friday during Lent; and for the celebration of the Lord's Supper on every Holy day, as also on the first Sunday in the month, and on Easter-day, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday and Thanksgiving day.

In this report there is included under the head of 'Collections,' such moneys *only* as have been contributed at the public collections in the Church.

Report of the Rev. Frederick Ogilby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 2, children, 37, total, 39; confirmed, 13; communicants, added, 22, died or removed, 9; marriages, 2; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 117, other days, 92, total, 219; children catechised in Church publicly, 6 times; Sunday school, teachers, 20, scholars, 186; Bible class, teacher, 1, scholars, 7.

The rector of this parish was, with the permission of the Bishop, absent in Europe during five months of this year, from May to November. During his absence the parish was almost entirely supplied by the gratuitous and most acceptable services of the Rev. Charles Williams, D. D. On his voyage, the rector performed the burial service at sea twice, and held public service five times. In the Church of Ireland, he officiated several times, and was there received, as American Clergymen ever are, with the greatest kindness and attention.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Preston, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg, Alleghany County.

Congregation, families, 107; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 11, total, 13; confirmed, 23; communicants, added, 27, died or

removed, 12, present number, 192; marriages, 12; burials, 9; children catechised, 3; Sunday schools, 2, teachers, 28, pupils, about 350; Bible class, 1, members, 30; collections, missionary and other benevolent purposes, $365 00, paid on Church debt about $1600 00.

Report of the Rev. W. S. Perkins, Rector of St. James Church, Bristol, Bucks County.

Congregation, families, 65, total, 65; baptisms, infants, 14, total, 14; communicants, added, 6, present number, 65; marriages, 3; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 52, total, 156; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 14, pupils, 100; collections, total, $95 00.

Report of the Rev. A. Prior, Rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, about 400; baptisms, adults, 9, infants, 46, total, 55; communicants, added, 10, died or removed, 1, present number, 57; marriages, 14; burials, 50; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 16, total, 120; children catechised, 140; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 7, pupils, 85; female, 1, teachers, 12, pupils, 120; total, schools, 2, teachers, 19, pupils, 205; Bible class, 1, members, 22.

Since the date which closes the above report, a confirmation has been held, and nineteen persons confirmed. The prospects of the parish are encouraging. The pews are generally taken, and the attendance on public worship comparatively large and increasing. No collections have been taken during the past year for church objects in general. All our collections have been absorbed in defraying the current expenses of the Church, in supporting the numerous poor in our midst, and improving the church edifice and grounds connected therewith. In another year we hope to contribute to the various objects contemplated by our church arrangements, for the spread of the gospel in other places.

Report of the Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia County.

Baptized during the year, 69 infants, and 5 adults: in all 74: were confirmed, 11; present number of communicants, 184; attendance on funerals, 22 adults, and 20 children, in all 42.

It is a pleasing evidence of church attachment that three-fourths of the congregation were baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This fact speaks loudly the propriety of attending to infant baptism within her pale. The number of the confirmed is less than former years, though in proportion to the extent of the congregation, and when compared with the declension visible elsewhere, is as large as we ought to expect. The communion list has decreased in number. Our average removals have been about 50. It is with reluctance we report a very great decline in spiritual matters. It is hoped that we may see greater results from the preaching of the Gospel, than the past year exhibits. We have still to complain of the want of suitable church room.

Report of the Rev. J. Reynolds, Rector of Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne County.

Congregation, families, 40, adults, 80, children, 80, total, 160; baptisms, adult, 1, infants, 6, total, 7; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 3, died or removed, 2, present number, 40; marriages, 7; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 144, other days, 26, total, 170: children catechised, 15, times, 6; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 40; female, 1, teachers, 9, pupils, 20; total, schools, 2, teachers, 11, pupils, 60; Bible class, 1, members, 12; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $2 00, missionary and other purposes, 298 00, Christmas fund, 3 00, Female Prayer Book and Tract Society, 3 00, relief fund for destitute Irish and Scotch, 42 00, total, $348 00.

This report is from November, 1846, the date when the present rector took charge of the congregation. The fluctuating character of the population renders it difficult to present a *precise* statement of the congregation and schools. Great exertions have been used to relieve the Church from a debt resting upon it, from the expense of erecting the building, which, by the blessing of God have proved successful, and the ladies are now using strenuous efforts to provide a parsonage. The attendance on public worship is encouraging, and the responses are usually made by a majority of the congregation. Could missionary aid be afforded, several congregations might be formed in this neighbourhood, and the Church in Dundaff, (formerly very

flourishing, but for several years past unprovided with our services) would be easily resuscitated.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton County.

Baptisms, adult 1, infants, 14, total, 15; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 5, died or removed, 3, present number, 44; marriages, 6; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 88, other days, 24, total, 112; children catechised, 36, times, 40; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 16; female, 1, teachers, 3, pupils, 20; total, schools, 2, teachers, 4, pupils, 36; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $10 00, missionary and other purposes, 560 00, total, $570 00.

Owing to a severe attack of bilious fever last summer, I was not able to attend divine service as regularly as usual, but my pulpit was often supplied by my kind brethren of New Jersey, the Rev. Messrs. Clarkson, Jaques, Moore and Adams.

Report of the Rev. John Rodney, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County.

Communicants, added, 22, died or removed, 9, total 139; baptisms, adults, 10, children, 14; total, 24; confirmed, 14; marriages, 6; burials, 9; Sunday school, pupils, 140, teachers, 15; congregation numbers about 450; collections and contributions, for missions, $300 00, other benevolent objects, 300 00.

The vestry are engaged in erecting a steeple, to cost $1600; a fine bell has been presented by a gentleman of the congregation, and a suitable clock has also been procured for it. These will all require an outlay of $2200 00, most of which amount has been already raised.

Report of the Rev. A. B. Hard, Rector of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, Delaware County.

Congregation, families, 65; baptisms, children, 11, adult, 1; confirmed, 1; communicants, added, 3, died, 2, removed, 2, present number, 73; marriages, 4; burials, 4; Sunday schools, 2, scholars, 80; contributions, Domestic missions, $22 00, for the suffering Scotch and Irish, 40 22, Episcopal fund, 8 00, Convention fund, 5 00.

Report of the Rev. G. W. Ridgley, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, Delaware County.

Congregation, families, 55; baptisms, adults, 2, children, 15; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 6, removed, 1, present number, 45; Sunday schools, 2, scholars, 60, teachers, 6; collections, Domestic missions, $15 00, for suffering Scotch and Irish, 32 78, Episcopal fund, 11 56, Convention fund, 5 00. In addition to the above, the ladies of the congregation have raised $200 00, for the erection of a new church.

Report of the Rev. K. J. Stewart, Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.

Baptisms, adults, 10, infants, 9, total, 19; confirmed, 8; communicants last reported, 16, added, 16, removed, 1, died, 2, present number, 29; marriages, 3; burial, 1; public services, on Sundays, 107, other days, 144, total, 251; number of miles traveled, 2359; visits made, 510; families, 41; 1 Sunday school, and 1 parochial school, which are in a flourishing condition; alms, $186 52.

Report of the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, Jr., for Calvary Church Mission, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia County.

Baptisms, adults, 5, children, 16, total, 21; confirmed, 1; marriages, 4; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 78, other days, 37, total, 115; children catechised, 15 times; Sunday school, 1, children, 130, teachers, 25; collections, for the destitute in Great Britain, $18 29, other purposes (made at the door of the mission room,) 45 78, total, $64 07.

The objects contemplated in our efforts, are twofold: first, to rear a monument to the memory of our dearly cherished Bishop White; and secondly, to provide, by means of this our monumental church, a place where all classes of mankind, the poor, as well as the more prosperous, may be permitted to partake *freely* of the blessings of the gospel of Christ. *All* the sittings of Calvary Church are to be FOREVER FREE.

To provide funds for the erection of such a noble monument to our first Diocesan, the Ladies' Missionary Association of Christ Church, Philadelphia, have for more than a year past laboured assiduously in soliciting contributions from *all* within their reach, who have the heart to aid in extending the blessings of the gospel of salvation to the destitute and careless. A kind

Providence has smiled upon their labours, and they can now report upwards of six thousand dollars received, and pledged by responsible persons, in sums of one hundred dollars and under. This is about one-third of the amount required to effect our object. We confidently appeal for support and encouragement to the liberality of those who now are reaping the benefits of Bishop White's wise and judicious counsels.

The preceding report shows in brief, the public results which have attended the establishment of stated religious services, on a site near which the contemplated Church is to be built. Public worship was here begun in a sail loft, on the evening of August 9th, 1846. Service was held once only on Sunday, until September 6th, when a Sunday morning service was attempted with encouraging success, and has together with the evening worship been uninterruptedly continued. Service and a lecture upon Wednesday and Thursday evenings also have been attended with more than anticipated success. The congregations assembling on these several occasions in every week, vary in numbers from fifteen or twenty to two hundred persons and more.

The collections are made at the door of the mission room, where a box is placed to receive the voluntary gifts of those who attend the services.

It has been deemed proper *not* to ask for contributions to objects beyond our own mission, save on the one occasion of general collections made in behalf of the famishing across the water. Our own mission needs all the funds which can be procured in our present unostentatious way of obtaining them.

Report of the Rev. Barclay A. Smith, Rector of Trinity Church, in the Borough of Athens, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 31, adults, 85, children, 68, total, 153; communicants, died or removed 1, present number, 23; marriage, 1; burial, 1; public services, on Sundays, 40, other days, 2, total, 42; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 13, female, 1, teachers, 9, pupils, 28, total, schools, 2, teachers, 11, pupils, 41; Bible class, 1, members, 6.

The present Rector took charge of Trinity Church, Athens, on the 6th of December last, and the report only includes those

services and labours performed since that period. Sent under the auspices and supported by the funds of the male missionary society of Grace Church, Phila., and the parish being much in want of a building suitable for divine service, all the funds of the parish have been, and will be devoted to that object, and for this reason no collections have been made for other purposes. The Sunday school was only begun about three months since, and it has been difficult on account of the muddy walking and stormy weather, to do much in getting the children of the place together, but the schools are on the increase, and bid fair to be the instruments of much good.

Report of the Rev. O. Evans Shannon, Rector of Grace church, Honesdale, Wayne county.

Congregation, families, 45, adults, 135, children, 76, total, 211; baptisms, infants, 13; communicants, added, 7, died or removed, 2, present number, 64; marriages, 3; burials, 13; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 6, total, 110; in addition to the above, I have preached in Bethany 7 times, in Canaan once, and in Texas once. Children catechised, 20, times, 2; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 4, pupils, 33, female, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 55, total, schools, 2, teachers, 10, pupils, 88; Bible class, 1, members, 10; collections, Episcopal fund, $8 00, Convention fund, 10 00, for the relief of Ireland, forwarded to New York, 85 00, missionary and other purposes, 40 00, total, $143 00.

Report of the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford township, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 11, infants, 15, total, 26; confirmed, 12; communicants, about 28; marriages, 9; burials, 23; public services, on Sundays, in the morning at the Church, afternoon at four different school-houses, alternately; children catechised, 7, every morning in the Church before public worship; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 11; collections, Episcopal fund, $4 65, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 33 45, Domestic Missions, 34 90, Convention fund, 5 41, for the relief of the Scotch and Irish, upwards of thirty dollars.

In Frankford I baptized 9 children from May, 1846, up to the time the Rev. H. S. Spackman commenced his services in St.

Mark's Church. These are not included in my report for Trinity Church. Immediately subsequent to his election, I devoted my attention to the school-houses, within walking distance of the Oxford Church, and so far, have been encouraged to persevere in performing Sunday evening services in them. We continue to hope that our ancient Church will be permitted to survive her several amputations.

Report of the Rev. T. A. Starkey, Deacon.

Since my ordination on the 21st of last February, I have been engaged under the supervision of the Rev. Wm. C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity Church, Pottsville, in the effort to establish missionary stations in the mining districts of Schuylkill county. At one of the points selected, (St. Clair,) a rapidly growing village, five miles N. E. of Pottsville, a suitable place for holding services has been obtained, and the long deferred effort to benefit our mining population, gives encouraging tokens of success. The same may be said of the station at Woodside, seven miles N. W. of Pottsville, where services were first established by the self-denying exertions of Mr. Cooley, and where a considerable congregation and a large Sunday school are the gratifying result of God's blessing upon his labours. There is one other point—near the Delaware Company's mines, which will be regularly visited so soon as the school-house, now building, shall be ready to admit us, and there are many other points in this region which would seem to hold out encouraging prospects to a zealous and judicious missionary.

I have read, and assisted in reading the public prayers, 35 times, have aided in distributing the Holy Communion 3 times, have administered holy baptism to one infant, have assisted at 4 burials, and preached on 20 different occasions.

Report of the Rev. S. C. Stratton.

Since the last Convention, I have officiated on more than 40 different occasions; preached 36 sermons; baptized 2 children; administered the Holy Communion 5 times; assisted in its administration 6 times; made 6 visits to the sick, and attended 1 funeral. Having had much sickness in my family, and having suffered much in the way of personal bereavement, during the past year, I have done less than I should wish to do, under ordinary circumstances.

Report of the Rev. Richard Smith.

In making my report for the last year, I am sorry to state that through illness I have been unable to perform much duty, though I have on several occasions held service at my old parish at Springville; and did hope and fully intend, by divine permission to have fully engaged according to my strength in the duties of the ministry. This year since March, I have had a return and been so unwell that the physician considers it needful that I rest some time longer. I have raised $3 00 for the Convention fund.

Report of the Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, about 100; baptisms, infants, 8; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 7, died or removed, 10, present number, 117; marriages, 14; burials, 21; public services, on Sundays, 95, other days, 40, total, 135; Sunday schools, 1, teachers, 30, pupils, 200; collections, Episcopal fund, $7 73, Convention fund, 5 53, missionary and other purposes, 700 00, total, 713 26.

During the past year a pretty thorough repair of the Church edifice has been effected.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 242, adults, 590, children, 572, total, 1162; baptisms, adults, 11, infants, 32, total, 43; confirmed, 16; communicants, added, 25, died or removed, 30, present number, 530; marriages, 17; burials, 13; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 100, total, 204; children catechised, 12, times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 19, pupils, 164, female, 1, teachers, 29, pupils, 323, total, schools, 2, teachers, 48, pupils, 487; Bible classes, 3, members, 34; collections, Episcopal fund, $150 00, missionary and other purposes, 3660 00, total, 3810 00.

Report of the Rev. M. R. Talbot, Chaplain in the Navy of the United States.

My last report was made in 1844. In November of that year I was ordered by the Hon. Secretary of the Navy to report myself for duty to the Commander of the U. S. Sloop of War, Jamestown, Flag Ship of the African squadron, on board of which vessel I remained doing duty till her return to the United

States in August, 1846. During this time I preached regularly every Sabbath with scarce an exception. I administered the Lord's Supper upon several occasions, and baptized and admitted to the Communion, five officers of the Navy. The circumstances under which these sacraments were administered, were peculiarly solemn, from the fact that we were in the midst of the ocean, and it was, (as far as I know or can learn,) the first time either has been administered on board an American Man of War. It is a circumstance not perhaps unworthy of note, that of the Commanding Officers then attached to the African Squadron, no less than five of the seven are communicants of the Episcopal Church; in addition to these, several of inferior grade of the same Squadron, are also communicants of our Church.

In addition to the services before mentioned, I have baptized two children at Norfolk, Va., (one the daughter of an officer of the Navy,) two at Palmas, Grand Canary, four at Chester, Penn., also one adult (by immersion,) at Chester, Penn.

Besides my services on shipboard, I have frequently preached in the city of New York; in Belleville, Newark, Rahway and Princeton, New Jersey; in Radnor, Chester, Marcus Hook and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; in Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va. I have officiated at five funerals.

Report of the Rev. Henry Tullidge, Rector of St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 62, adults, 152, children, 132, total, 284; baptisms, adults, 3, infants, 3, total, 6; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 5, died, 1, present number, 52; marriage, 1; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays 52, other days, 11, total, 63; children catechised, frequently in the Sunday school; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $3 03, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 4 00, Foreign Missions, 5 00, Christmas fund for disabled clergymen, 3 00, for the aid of the Scotch and Irish poor, 26 42, for the Sunday school, 5 58, Convention fund, 3 37½, total, 50 38.

I entered upon my duties as Rector of this parish in the latter part of May last, and with the exception of a month's absence

for the purpose of removing my family, have officiated regularly during the year. While absent, the Church was kept open by the kindness of the Rev. Messrs. E. Y. Buchanan, W. J. Clark, and M. C. Lightner, who officiated for me. The congregation being widely scattered for several miles in different directions from the Church, I have found it very difficult to have as frequent services as I could wish. Now, however, that I have become acquainted with the ground I occupy, I intend to seek as frequent opportunities as possible of preaching the Word in the different neighbourhoods. The attendance at Church has been, for the most part, very good, and the prospects of the parish were never perhaps better than they are at present. The Sunday school is small, on account of the distance at which most of the families reside from the Church. An increased effort will however be made in its behalf during the coming season. An Association was held at the Church during three days, last summer, attended by the Rev. Dr. Bull and other clerical brethren in the neighbourhood, which has, I think, had a good effect. If I mistake not, there has been more seriousness and attention manifested during the services, and other more decided fruits have followed.

Report of the Rev. George Upfold, D. D. Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny County.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 62, total, 64; confirmed, 35; communicants, added, 28, died or removed, 30, present number, 220; marriages, 15; burials, 22; public services, on Sundays, 100, other days, 55, total, 155; children catechised, 60, times, 10; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 50; female, 1, teachers, 7, pupils, 75; total, schools, 2, teachers, 13, pupils, 125; collections, Episcopal fund, $80, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $135, missionary and other purposes, $2414, total, $2629.

Report of the Rev. P. Van Pelt, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Epiphany.

Since the last Convention, I have performed divine service on 43 occasions; preached 23 times; baptized 13 children; officiated at 14 funerals; solemnized 4 marriages; made 470 parochial visits; and attended to my duties as Secretary of the Board of Missions.

Report of the Rev. John A. Vaughan.

Since my last annual report I have been employed, as there stated, in charge of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the blind, as principal. I have officiated occasionally in preaching, and also in reading the service, more especially at Grace Church in this city.

Report of the Rev. E. Woodward, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook, Chester County.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WEST VINCENT.

The congregation worshipping in this church, is composed of the members of about sixty families. One adult, and one infant have been baptized, and one adult confirmed; two communicants have been added, 2 have died, and 1 removed, making the present number 60. I have solemnized 7 marriages, and officiated at 4 funerals; 49 Sunday services have been held in the Church, and 9 on week days, including the Bishop's visitation on the 11th of February; and also an Association of Clergymen held on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of September, on which occasion, we enjoyed the valuable services of the Rev. Dr. Bull, Rev. Messrs. Clemson, Clark, Kirke, Mintzer, Hazlehurst, and Wm. H. Woodward, in all 58 services.

In this parish we have a Sunday school, in which are registered the names of about 100 children, the regular attendance however is considerably less.

The collections for the year are as follows:

For repairing and improving the Church, and parsonage property, and other expenses, $167 42, in aid of missions in Chester County, 15 00, Convention fund, 2 38, missionary and other purposes, 86 75. In aid of the suffering poor in Ireland, 7 79, making in all, $279 34.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HONEYBROOK.

The congregation worshipping in this Church will probably average from 250 to 300. Two have been confirmed, and 2 added to the communion, making the present number 32. I have solemnized 2 marriages, and officiated at 1 funeral; 44 Sunday services have been held in the Church during the year, and 8 on week days, including the Bishop's visitation which was held on the 10th of February, and also an Association of

Clergymen, held on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of November, in which we were favoured with the ministerial labours of the Rev. Dr. Bull, and Rev. James A. Woodward, in all 52 services.

The collections in this Church for the year are as follows:

For the aid of missions in Chester County, 5 00, relief of the suffering poor in Ireland, 9 00, Convention fund, 2 06, missionary and other purposes, 158 48, total, $174 54.

Report of the Rev. W. H. Woodward, Rector of St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, and of St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester County.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, W. W.

Families, 40, adults, 110, children, 80, total, 190; baptisms, adult, 1; confirmed, 2; communicants, added, 2, died, 2, present number, about 50; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 60, other days, 2, total, 62; Sunday schools, male, 14, female, 32, total, 46; teachers, male, 3, female, 8, total, 11; collections, for the Convention fund, $2 00, African missions from the Sunday school, 3 07, Episcopal fund, 3 00, for Ireland, 13 00, other purposes, 3 00, total, $21 07.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, G. V.

Families, 30; communicants, 25; marriages, 2; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 45; Sunday schools, 2, male pupils, 14; female, 19, total, 33; teachers, male, 3; female, 4, total, 7; the rector assisted in teaching and catechising every other Sunday; collections, $4 00 for Ireland.

Report of the Rev. Wm. White, Rector of St. Peter's Church, in Butler, Butler County.

Congregation, families, 46, adults, 108, children, 60, total, 168; baptisms, children, 18; confirmed, 9; communicants, 50; marriages, 2; public services, on Sundays, 90, other days, 17, total, 107; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 2, children, 20; collections, Episcopal fund, $3 00, Christmas fund, 3 50, Convention fund, 3 40, other purposes, 14 56, total, 27 85.

Services have been also held at Greensburgh thrice on my return from Convention, when I officiated at a funeral; at Newcastle once, Wilmington once, Mercer once, Franklin once, and at Lawrenceburgh thrice, where I married a couple, and baptized 6 children.

Report of the Rev. C. Wiltberger, Rector of Grace Church, Hulmeville; St. Luke's Church, Newtown; St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville; and Trinity Church, Centreville, Buck's County.

GRACE CHURCH, HULMEVILLE.

Congregation, families, 14, adults, 35, children, 20, total, 55; communicants, died or removed, 2, added, 3, present number, 16; confirmed, 3; public services, on Sundays, 26, other days, 10, total, 36; collections, Advancement Society, $1 00, Convention fund, 50 cents, total, $1 50.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

Congregation, families, 15, adults, 50, children, 20, total, 70; baptisms, adults, 1, children, 3; total, 4; communicants, died or removed, 2, added, 1, present number, 9; Sunday school, 1, teachers, all female, 5, pupils, 40; Bible class, members, 16; public services, on Sundays, 28, other days, 16, total, 44; collections, Convention fund, $1 17, Advancement Society, 1 00, total, 2 17.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, YARDLEYVILLE.

Congregation, families, 18, adults, 50, children, 30, total, 80; baptisms, adults, 2, children, 4, total, 6; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 3, present number, 14; burials, 2; marriage, 1; Sunday school, male and female, teachers all female, 6, pupils, 40; public services, on Sundays, 43, other days, 30, total, 73; collections, Advancement Society, $1 00.

TRINITY CHURCH, CENTREVILLE.

Congregation, families, 12, adults, 40, children, 30, total, 70; communicants, added, 4, died or removed, 4, present number, 8; burial, 1; public services, on Sundays, 33; Sunday school, male and female, teachers, 5, pupils, 50; Bible class, members, 10; collections, Advancement Society, $1 50. On the whole, I have been more encouraged the past year.

Report of the Rev. H. H. Weld.

The undersigned, since his admission to Deacon's orders, in November last, has had no stated charge. But in conformity with the canon which requires the report of occasional services, he would state, that on every Sunday, and on other occasions

he has been engaged, either in vacant parishes, or in the assistance of Clergymen, principally in this Diocese.

Report of the Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall, Rector of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, 50, adults, 130, children, 100, total, 230; baptisms, adults, 5, infants, 14, total, 19; confirmed, 12; communicants, added, 11, removed, 16, present number, 91; marriages, 6; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 95, other days, 24, total, 119; Sunday schools, male teachers, 3, female teachers, 8, pupils, 80; a school for colored persons is taught on Sunday afternoons. Collections, Episcopal fund, $20 68, Convention fund in 1846, 10 00, in 1847, 14 07, total, 24 07; Christmas fund, 6 09, for the aid of the sufferers in Ireland and Scotland, 66 35, domestic missions, 35 51, for enlargement of the Church building, 660 72, total, $813 42.

This parish continues in a prosperous condition. The enlargement of the church building was completed last fall, and has materially added to the convenience and beauty of our house of worship.

LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Adams County.

Christ church, Huntingdon township.

Allegheny County.

Trinity church, City of Pittsburg.
St. Andrew's church, City of Pittsburg.
Christ church, Allegheny.
St. John's church, Lawrenceville.
St. Paul's church, Laceyville.

Armstrong County.

St. Paul's church, Kittaning.
Trinity church, Freeport.

Beaver County.

Georgetown church, Georgetown.
St. Paul's church.
St. Peter's church, Beaver Falls.

Berks County.

St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin.
Christ church, Reading.
St. Thomas' church, Morgantown.

Bradford County.

St. Matthew's church, Pike.
Christ church, Towanda.
St. Paul's church, Troy.

Bucks County.

St. James the Greater's church.
St. Luke's church, Newtown.
St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville.
Grace church, Hulmeville.
Trinity church, Centreville.
St. Paul's Church, Doylestown.

Butler County.

St. Peter's church, Butler.

Carbon County.

St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk.

Centre County.

Trinity church, Phillipsburg.
St. John's church, Bellefonte.

Chester County.

St. John's church, New London township.
St. Mary's church, Warwick township.
St. Peter's church, Great Valley.
St. John's church, Pequea.
St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township.
St. Andrew's church, West Vincent.
St. Mark's church, Honeybrook.
Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.
St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.
St. James' church, Downingtown.

Columbia County.

St. Gabriel's church, Sugarloaf township.
St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg.
Christ church, Madison, Jerseytown.
Christ church, Danville.
Trinity church, Orangeville.

Crawford County.

Christ church, Meadville.

Cumberland County.

St. John's church, Carlisle.

Dauphin County.

St. Stephen's ch., Harrisburg.

Delaware County.

St. Paul's church, Chester.
St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester towns'p. Marcus Hook.
St. John's church, Concord township.
St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor.
Calvary church, Rockdale.

Erie County.

St. Paul's church, Erie.
St. Peter's church, Waterford.

Fayette County.

Christ church, Brownsville.
Grace church, Menalen.
St. Peters' church, Uniontown.
Trinity church, Connelsville.

Huntingdon County.

St. John's church, Huntingdon.
Christ church, Hollidaysburg.

Indiana County.

St. Peter's church, Blairsville.

Lancaster County.

St. James' church, Lancaster.
Christ church, Leacock.
Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown.
All Saints' Church, Paradise.

Luzerne County.

St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.
Trinity church, Carbondale.

Lycoming County.

St. James' church, Muncy.
St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore.
Christ church, Williamsport.

Mifflin County.

St. Mark's church, Lewistown.

Montgomery County.

St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township.
St. James church, Perkiomen township.
St. John's church, Norristown.
Christ church, Pottstown.
Swedes' church, Upper Merion.

Northampton County.

Trinity church, Easton.

Northumberland County.

St. Matthew's church, Sunbury.

Philadelphia county.

Christ church, Philadelphia.
St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.
St. James' church, Philadelphia.
St. Paul's church, Philadelphia.
St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia.
St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia.
Grace church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.
St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.
Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia.
St. John's church, Northern Liberties.
Advent church, Northern Liberties.
St. Mark's church, Moyamensing.
All Saints' church, Moyamensing.
Church of the Evangelists, Southwark.
Trinity church, Southwark.
Church of the Messiah, Southwark.
Gloria Dei church, Southwark.
Church of the Crucifixion.
St. Philip's church, Spring Garden.
Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.
Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden.
Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond.
St. James' church, Kingsessing.
St. Matthew's church, Francisville.
St. James the Less church, North Penn township.
All Saints' church, Lower Dublin township.
Emanuel church, Holmesburg.
Trinity church, Oxford township.
St. Mark's church, Frankford.
St. Luke's church, Germantown.
St. Mark's church, Mantua, Blockley township.
Emanuel church, Kensington.
St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia.
St. David's church, Manayunk.

Schuylkill County.

Trinity church, Pottsville.
St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.
St. Paul's church, Minersville.

Susquehanna County.

St. Andrew's church, Springville.
St. Mark's church, New Milford.
St. Paul's church, Montrose.

Tioga County.

St. Paul's church, Wellsborough.
Christ church, Blossburg.

Washington County.

Trinity church, Washington.

Wayne County.

Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish.
Truth church, Bethany.
St. John's church, Salem.

Westmoreland County.

Christ church, Greensburg.

York County.

St. John's church.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

MAY 20th, 1847.

The Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D., Bishop, Philadelphia.

Rev. Joseph Adderly, Missionary in Wayne township, Armstrong county.

Rev. William Adderly, Missionary at Fallstown, and St. Pauls, Beaver county.

Rev. George Allen, Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Rev. Thomas G. Allen, Missionary in the city and county of Philadelphia.

Rev. Breed Batcheller, Rector of St. David's church, Radnor.

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' church, Lower Dublin, and Christ Chapel, Oak Grove. P. O. Bridgwater, Bucks county.

Rev. James Bonnar, Philadelphia.

Rev. William H. Bourns, Rector of Emanuel church, Holmesburg, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D., Rector of St. James' church, Lancaster.

Rev. George Boyd, D.D., Rector of St. John's church, N. Liberties, Philadelphia.

Rev. Chas. Breck, Missionary at Wellsboro', Tioga county.

Rev. S. C. Brinckle, Rector of St. James' church, Kingsessing, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Edw. Y. Buchanan, Rector of Christ church, Leacock, and All Saints' church, Paradise, Lancaster county. P. O. Paradise.

Rev. Levi Bull, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's church, Warwick, and St. Thomas' church, Morgantown. P. O. Marsh, Chester county.

Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D.D., Rector of Christ church, Meadville, Crawford county.

Rev. Wm. J. Clark, Rector of Christ church, Williamsport.

Rev. R. B. Claxton, Chaplain of the Diocesan School, and Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

Rev. Jehu C. Clay, D.D., Rector of the Swedes' church, Gloria Dei, Southwark.

Rev. J. B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

Rev. J. Howland Coit, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Rev. John Coleman, D.D., Rector of Trinity church, Philadelphia.

Rev. John B. Colhoun, M.D., residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Asa S. Colton, Rector of Christ church, Towanda, Bradford county.

Rev. Wm. C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity church, Pottsville.

Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.

Rev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ church, Brownsville.

Rev. Thos. Crumpton, Rector of Christ church, Allegheny. P. O. Pittsburg.

Rev. Robt. Davis, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Thos. J. Davis, Philadelphia.

Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Missionary at Whitemarsh, Montgomery county. P. O. Germantown.

Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D.D., Rector of Christ church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. William Douglass, Rector of St. Thomas' (African) church, Philadelphia.

Rev. G. C. Drake, Rector of St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.

Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, D.D., Rector of St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Chas. M. Dupuy, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Geo. E. Durborow, Missionary at the Church of the Redemption, Philadelphia.

Rev. Samuel Durborrow, Deacon, officiating as Missionary at large in the Diocese of Maine.

Rev. Heman Dyer, President of Western University.

Rev. Geo. C. Fields, Minister of St. John's church, Huntingdon.

Rev. Wm. Flint, M. D., Rector of St. Paul's church, Erie, Erie county.

Rev. Colley A. Foster, Missionary at Muncy, Lycoming county.

Rev. James H. Fowles, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Rev. Caleb I. Good, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Richard D. Hall, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Anson B. Hard, Rector of St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook.

Rev. Nathaniel Sayre Harris, Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.

Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D.D., Rector of St. Matthew's church, Francisville, Philadelphia county, and Principal of the Prot. Epis. Academy, Philadelphia.

Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond.

Rev. Henry T. Hiester, Rector of St. Mark's church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Rev. William J. Hilton, Missionary at Kittanning and Freeport, Armstrong county.

Rev. William S. Hinds, Philadelphia.

Rev. John W. Hoffman, Missionary at York, York county.

Rev. Geo. P. Hopkins, Missionary at Doylestown, and parts adjacent. P. O. Germantown.

Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, Missionary at Minersville, Schuylkill county.

Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, Rector of St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Benjamin S. Huntington, Rector of Calvary church, Rockdale. P. O., Village Green, Delaware.

Rev. Jos. Jaquett, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Edward C. Jones, officiating as Missionary in Moyamensing.

Rev. Norris M. Jones, Rector of St. Peter's church, Uniontown.

Rev. John J. Kerr, Rector of Advent Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Rev. George Kirke, Rector at New London X Roads, and West Marlborough, Chester county. P. O., Downingtown, Chester county.

Rev. Freeman Lane, Missionary at Troy, Bradford county.

Rev. Edmund Leaf, Rector of Christ church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and St. Gabriel's church, Douglassville, (Morlattin,) Berks county.

Rev. Edward N. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swedes',) church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county.

Rev. John Long, Missionary at Montrose, and New Milford, Susquehannah county.

Rev. Milton C. Lightner, Missionary at Danville and parts adjacent, Columbia county.

Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Missionary at Bloomsburg, Columbia county.

Rev. James G. Lyons, LL.D., Philadelphia.

Rev. David H. Macurdy, Rector of St. James the Less' church, Schuylkill Falls.

Rev. John H. Marsden, Missionary, Adams county. P. O. York Springs.

Rev. B. Augustus Marple, Rector of St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg, (Columbia county.)

Rev. John Gordon Maxwell, Rector of Emmanuel church, Kensington, Philadelphia.

Rev. John J. McElhinny, residing in Pittsburg.

Rev. Edward Mendenhall, Missionary at Salem, Wayne county.

Rev. Alex. G. Mercer, Deacon.

Rev. Tobias Harpur Michell, M. D., Missionary at Waterford, Erie county.

Rev. Geo. Mintzer, Rector of St. James' church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county. P. O. Perkiomen Bridge.

Rev. Saml. Moorhouse, Missionary in Southwark.

Rev. Richard U. Morgan, D.D., Rector of Christ church, Reading.

Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, Rector of All Saints' church, Moyamensing.

Rev. B. Wistar Morris, Rector of St. Matthew's church, Sunbury.

Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D., Rector of St. James' church, Philadelphia.

Rev. J. P. Nash, Rector of St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.

Rev. G. W. Natt, Missionary at Belle Fonte, Centre county.

Rev. E. Neville, Rector of St. Philip's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Richard Newton, Rector of St. Paul's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. W. H. Norris, Rector of St. John's church, Carlisle.

Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, Rector of St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Fred'k. Ogilby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

Rev. W. S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' church, Bristol.

Rev. Wm. Preston, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Pittsburg.

Rev. Azariah Prior, Rector of St. David's church, Manayunk, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Thos. H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Philadelphia.

Rev. John Reynolds, Rector of Trinity church, Carbondale.

Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Paul's church, Delaware county.

Rev. John Rodney, jr., Rector of St. Luke's church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity church, Easton.

Rev. Peter Russell, Missionary at Mauch Chunk, Carbon county.

Rev. Owen Evans Shannon, Rector of Grace church, Honesdale.

Rev. Oliver A. Shaw, Philadelphia.

Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity church, Oxford, Philadelphia county. P. O., Frankford, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Barclay A. Smith, Deacon, Missionary at Athens, Bradford county.

Rev. Joseph H. Smith, Deacon, Missionary in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Rev. W. W. Spear.

Rev. Henry S. Spackman, Rector of St. Mark's church, Frankford.

Rev. Thos. A. Starkey, Missionary in the mining districts near Pottsville.

Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's church, Norristown.

Rev. K. J. Stewart, Missionary at Connelsville and parts adjacent, Fayette county.

Rev. Saml. C. Stratton, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. William Suddards, Rector of Grace church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Wm. L. Suddards, Deacon, Rector of Bangor church, Churchtown.

Rev. Mortimer R. Talbot, Chaplain in U. S. Navy.

Rev. Henry Tullidge, Rector of St. John's church, Pequea.

Rev. Geo. Upfold, D.D., Rector of Trinity church, Pittsburg.

Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Assistant to the Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, and Secretary of the Board of Missions, Philadelphia.

Rev. John A. Vaughan, D.D., Principal of the Institution of the Blind, Philadelphia.

Rev. H. Hastings Weld, Rector of St. James' church, Downingtown.

Rev. Wm. White, Missionary at Butler, and parts adjacent.

Rev. Bird Wilson, D.D., LL.D., Professor in the General Theological Seminary, New York.

Rev. Christian Wiltberger, jr., Missionary at Yardleyville, Centreville, Hulmeville, and Newtown, Bucks county.

Rev. Charles Williams, D.D., residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. W. H. Woodward, Rector of St. Paul's church, West Whiteland, and St. Peter's church, Great Valley. P. O., Warren tavern, Chester county.

Rev. Enos Woodward, Rector of St. Andrew's, West Vincen, and St. Mark's, Honeybrook.

Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall, Rector of St. Mary's church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county.

The foregoing list, containing the names of one hundred and twenty-seven clergymen, is corrected to this date.

In conformity with Canon XIV., Sec. 1.

ALONZO POTTER.

Philadelphia, May 19th, 1847.

1846					Doll.	C.
May 20	To balance due Treasurer per last account,				23	03
	To cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter, expenses on Episcopal visitations,				279	79
21	To cash paid Rev. Dr. Upfold, travelling expenses,			$20 00		
	"	"	M. C. Lightner,	do. 13 50		
	"	"	J. H. Marsden,	do. 8 00		
	"	"	Geo. W. Natt,	do. 14 00		
	"	"	Geo. C. Drake,	do. 10 00		
	"	"	J. W. Rogers,	do. 8 00		
	"	"	O. E. Shannon,	do. 13 50		
	"	"	H. Y. Tullidge,	do. 5 00		
	"	"	R. B. Claxton,	do. 9 50		
	"	"	Charles Breck,	do. 14 00		
	"	"	E. Woodward,	do. 2 00		
	"	"	S. T. Lord,	do. 10 00		
	"	"	Wm. White,	do. 17 00		
	"	"	E. Mendenhall,	do. 6 50		
	"	"	H. T. Hiester	do. 9 00		
	"	"	A. S. Colton,	do. 14 00		
	"	"	Wm. J. Clarke,	do. 1 50		
	"	"	Wm. Hilton,	do. 14 00		
	"	"	M. Hirst,	do. 5 00		
	"	"	J. B. Hoffman,	do. 4 50		
	"	"	R. U. Morgan,	do. 3 00		
	"	"	P. Russell,	do. 6 00		
	"	"	E. Leaf,	do. 2 50		
	"	"	E. Y. Buchanan,	do. 2 00		
	"	"	Geo. Kirke,	do. 1 00		
					213	50
	Amount carried forward,				516	32

Pennsylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1846					Doll.	C.
May	20	By cash contribution,	St. Peter's church, Philadelphia,		50	00
	21	" "	St. Andrew's church, do.		40	00
		" "	Grace church, do.		50	00
		" "	St. Philip's church, do.		60	00
		" "	St. Luke's church, do.		50	00
		" "	St. Paul's church, do.		15	00
		" "	Advent church, do.		10	39
		" "	St. Matthew's church, do.		10	00
		" "	Gloria Dei church, do.		10	00
		" "	St. Mary's church, Hamilton,		10	00
		" "	St. John's church, Norristown,	$6 35		
		" "	Christ church, Allegheny,	6 50		
		" "	Trinity church, Pittsburgh,	20 00		
		" "	Christ church, Reading,	5 00		
		" "	Grace church, Honesdale,	5 00		
		" "	St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg,	6 00		
		" "	Trinity church, Easton,	5 00		
		" "	St. John's church, Bellefonte,	2 25		
		" "	St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg,	4 00		
		" "	Christ church, Huntingdon,	1 50		
		" "	Christ church, Danville,	6 82		
		" "	St. Paul's church, Erie,	5 00		
		" "	St. Stephen's ch. Wilkesbarre,	6 29		
		" "	Trinity church, Oxford,	5 00		
		" "	St. Paul's church, Wellsboro'	5 00		
		" "	St. Andrew's ch. West Vincent,	2 48		
		" "	St. Mark's church, Honeybrook,	2 46		
		" "	Trinity church, Orangeville,	1 32		
		" "	St. Mary's church, Warwick,	1 62		
		" "	St. Peter's church, Butler,	2 87		
		" "	St. John's church, Salem,	1 00		
		" "	St. Mark's church, Lewistown,	2 00		
		" "	Christ church, Towanda,	3 00		
		" "	Calvary church, Rockdale,	3 00		
		" "	Christ church, Pottstown,	2 00		
		" "	St. David's church, Radnor,	1 78		
		" "	Bangor, church, Churchtown,	4 00		
		" "	Grace church, Hulmeville,	1 00		
		" "	St. Andrew's ch. Yardleyville,	1 00		
		" "	St. Mark's ch. Mauch Chunk,	4 50		
		" "	Emanuel church, Holmesburg,	8 00		
		" "	St. Paul's ch. West Whiteland,	2 00		
		" "	St. Paul's church, Kittaning,	4 00		
		" "	Trinity church, Pottsville,	5 00		
		" "	St. James' church, Kingsessing,	7 00		
		" "	St. James' church, Muncy,	5 81		
		" "	St. Martin's ch. Marcus Hook,	5 00		
		" "	St. Paul's church, Minersville,	3 00		
		" "	St. James' church, Perkiomen,	5 61		
		" "	St. John's church, York,	1 75		
		" "	Holy Trinity, West Chester,	4 00		
					174	91
		Amount carried forward,			480	30

Dr. **The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in**

			Doll.	C.
1846		Amount brought forward,	516	32
June 15	To cash paid	R. F. Hill, Sexton of St. Andrew's church, sundry expenses of the Convention in May,	30	96
	"	Geo. M. Wharton, Esq., Secretary of the Convention, postage, &c. &c.	5	00
July 11	"	King & Baird, for printing Journal of the Convention and five hundred extra copies of Bishop Potter's Address, &c.	176	29
Dec'r. 5	"	Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter, on account of travelling expenses in Episcopal visitation,	100	00
1847				
Jan'ry. 31	"	Hogan & Thompson, for blank book for use of Standing Committee,	2	25
31	"	R. F. Hill, Sexton of St. Andrew's church, for services to the Committee,	8	00
May 11	To balance in the hands of the Treasurer,		90	65
			$929	47

We have examined the above account and found it correct.

HENRY J. MORTON,
J. C. CLAY.

May 11th, 1847.

Pennsylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

			Doll.	C.
1846		Amount brought forward,	480	30
May	23	By cash contribution, Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia,	50	00
	26	" " St. Stephen's church, do.	26	19
		" " St. James' church, Lancaster,	15	45
June	26	" " St. James church, Philadelphia,	82	82
July	1	" " Christ church, do.	50	00
August	8	" " St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg,	2	25
1847				
March	25	" " Trinity church, Southwark,	16	69
April	6	" " St. Luke's church, Philadelphia,	89	77
May	1	" " Church of the Epiphany, do.	50	00
	5	" " St. Stephen's church, do.	50	00
	10	" " Church of the Ascension, do.	15	00
			$929	47
	11	By balance brought down in the hands of the Treasurer,	$90	65

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 11th, 1847.

Dr. Christmas Fund, for infirm and disabled Clergymen, &c.

1846		Doll.	C.
June 3	To cash paid Rev. Robert Davis, one quarter appropriation due 1st inst.	50	00
July 11	" " Robert Davis, one quarter appropriation paid in advance by order of Trustees,	50	00
August 8	" " Samuel T. Lord, half year's appropriation due 1st September next,	125	00
20	" " Richard Smith, one quarter appropriation due 1st inst.	50	00
Nov'r. 16	" transmitted through the Secretary to Rev. John J. McElhenny, being a special appropriation by the board,	75	00
Dec'r. 4	" paid Rev. Robert Davis, one quarter appropriation due 1st inst.	50	00
23	" " Richard Smith, one quarter appropriation due 1st November,	50	00
1847 March 2	" " Robert Davis, one quarter appropriation due 1st inst.	50	00
8	" " Richard Smith, one quarter appropriation due 1st February,	50	00
April 17	" " S. T. Lord, half year's appropriation due 1st March last,	125	00
23	" " Richard Smith, one quarter appropriation due 1st May,	50	00
May 11	To balance carried down,	245	11
		$970	11

The Trustees of the Christmas Fund respectfully report that they have received during the past year four hundred and eighty dollars seventy-seven cents, of which four hundred and ten dollars twenty-seven cents was derived from collections and contributions, and seventy dollars fifty cents from interest on fifteen hundred dollars, which still remains invested in City of Philadelphia five per cent. stock. There is also in the Treasurer's hands a balance of two hundred and forty-five dollars eleven cents. Three Clergymen are now in receipt of aid from the fund to the extent of six hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and temporary assistance to the amount of seventy-five dollars, has been given to another.

No application has as yet been made for relief by the widows or children of deceased clergymen.

The attention of the Convention was called in the report of the Trustees last year to the fact, that out of one hundred and sixteen Parishes in the Diocese, but twenty-seven had contributed to the fund. They regret to state that the number has only increased during the past year to thirty, and the amount received is less by nearly two hundred dollars. The Trustees feel constrained again to call the attention of the Convention to the same subject, in the hope that some measure may be adopted to insure more liberal and general contributions—as under the Canon of the General Convention, the Rector of each Parish has the disposition of the funds collected at the celebration of the Communion, it is optional with him to appropriate them to this fund or otherwise.

The Trustees feel confident that the objects of the Trust are such as will command the generous support of the laity, if opportunity is afforded to all the members of the Church to contribute. They would therefore respectfully suggest to the Convention such a modification of the existing plan in respect to the annual collection, as may be conducive to this end.

By order and on behalf of the Trustees,

WM. H. NEWBOLD, *Secretary.*

Philadelphia, May 17th, 1847.

In Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

					Doll.	C.
1846						
May 6	By cash balance on hand per last account,				489	34
21	" contribution,	St. Mark's ch. Lewistown,	$9	00		
	" "	All Saint's ch. Oak Grove,	3	00		
	" "	Advent ch. Philadelphia,	24	57		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Kittaning,	3	75		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Erie,	4	50		
	" "	Christ ch. Towanda,	3	50		
	" "	St. Peter's ch. Butler,	2	32		
26	" "	St. James' ch. Lancaster,	22	31		
	" "	Mrs. Camac, annual contribution,	5	00		
					77	95
July 3	" interest on investment,				35	25
Sept'r. 15	" contribution,	St. Michael's ch. Armstrong,	2	00		
Dec'r. 31	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Harrisburg,	12	00		
	" "	Christ ch. Upper Merion,	4	00		
	" "	Christ ch. Philadelphia,	45	30		
1847	" "	St. Stephen's ch. do.	55	42		
Jan'y. 2	" "	Gloria Dei ch. do.	7	50		
	" "	St. James' ch. Perkiomen,	6	23		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Bloomsburg,	5	00		
	" "	St. Luke's ch. Philadelphia,	35	60		
11	" "	St. Peter's ch. do.	40	00		
12	" "	St. James' ch. do.	25	00		
	" "	Christ ch. Reading,	10	00		
20	" "	Emanuel ch. Holmesburg,	6	25		
26	" "	St. Mathew's ch. Sunbury,	10	00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Muncy,	7	14		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Wellsboro',	5	00		
Feb'y. 9	" "	St. James' ch. Schuylkill Haven,	6	89		
17	" "	St. John's ch. Bellefonte,	6	00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Southwark,	19	07		
20	" "	Mrs. Markoe's annual contri'n.	5	00		
March 13	" "	Trinity ch. Easton,	10	00		
April 5	" "	Trinity ch. Carbondale,	3	00		
8	" "	St. James' ch. Schuylkill Haven,	5	92		
					332	32
May 1	" interest on investment,				35	25
					$970	11
11	By balance in the hands of Treasurer,				$245	11

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 11th, 1847.

We have examined the above account, compared it with the vouchers and found it correct, the balance in the Treasurer's hands being two hundred and forty-five dollars and eleven cents, and the investments fifteen hundred dollars in city five per cents.

JNO. WELSH,
WM. H. NEWBOLD, } *Committee.*

Philadelphia, May 11th, 1847.

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,**

1846					Doll.	C.
		Cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter:				
August 23	To amount	one quarter's salary, due this day,		$875 00		
Nov. 28	"	on ac't. of quar. sal. due 23d inst.	$625 00			
Dec. 21	"	in full of " "	250 00			
				875 00		
					1750	00
		Amount carried forward,			1750	00

In Account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. **Cr.**

						Doll.	C.
1846							
May 15	By balance as per account submitted,					33	36
	Receipts from Parishes during the year:						
21	St. Paul's church, Wellsborough,			$ 6 00			
	St. Mary's church, Warwick,			7 75			
	St. Paul's church, Erie,			7 00			
	St. Mark's church, Lewistown,			2 00			
	St. David's church, Radnor,			2 73			
	All Saints and Oak Grove churches, Philadelphia Co.			3 00			
	St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,			7 75			
	St. John's church, Norristown,			6 00			
	St. Thomas' church, Morgantown,			7 52			
	Trinity church, Oxford,			5 14			
	Emanuel church, Holmesburgh,			16 60			
	St. Matthew's church, Francisville,			10 00			
	St. John's church, Bellefonte,			3 00			
	St. Luke's church, Germantown,			10 00			
	St. John's church, Concord,			2 00			
	St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh,			3 50			
	Gloria Dei church, Southwark,			5 00			
	St. John's church, York,			5 00			
	Trinity church, Westchester,			4 00			
	Do. Pittsburgh,			50 00			
	St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg,			10 00			
	St. John's church, Carlisle,			10 00			
	Emanuel church, Kensington,			8 00			
	Do. do. in Mr. A. Reed's check,			10 38			
	Christ church, Pequa,			4 00			
28	St. James' church, Lancaster,			16 18			
June 3	St. John's church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia,			37 50			
Sept. 9	St. James' church, Downingtown,			6 56			
30	Do. do. Perkiomen,			3 73			
Nov. 28	Do. do. Muncy,			6 00			
1847	All Saints' church, Paradise,			6 00			
Feb'y. 9	St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven,			4 24			
March 26	Do. do. do.			2 00			
May 12	St. Mary's ch., Hamilton, additional for 1846,		$23 00				
	collection for 1847,		20 68				
				43 68			
						332	26
	Receipts from investments:						
1846							
August 3	By 6 ms. in. on $19,689 36 Pen. 5 p. ct. loan,		$492 23				
	Less State tax,	$24 61					
	Dis. on Rel. notes $311 75, at 2½ p. ct.	7 78					
			32 39				
				459 84			
1847							
Feb'y 1	By 6 ms. in. on $19,689 36 Pen. 5 p. ct. loan,		$492 23				
	Less State tax,	$24 61					
	Dis. on Relief notes $351, at 1¾ per ct.	6 14					
			30 75				
				461 48			
						921	32
	Amount carried forward,					1286	94

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,**

1847			Doll. C.
	Amount brought forward,		1750 00
Feb. 23	To amount one quarter's salary, due this day,	$875 00	
May 12	" " " due 23d inst.	875 00	1750 00
			3500 00

The income during the year is one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and thirty-eight cents short of the amount required for the payment of the Bishop's salary, and the parishes which have contributed bear but a small proportion to the whole number in the Diocese.

The undersigned appointed by the Standing Committee, do certify that they have examined the foregoing account and found the same correct.

They also have examined the Certificates of Stock in which the fund is invested, and found the same to amount to nineteen thousand, six hundred and eighty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents, ($19,689 36).

GEO. M. WHARTON,
THOMAS ROBINS.

Philadelphia, May 17th, 1847.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania is invested in five per cent. Stock of the State of Pennsylvania, and amounts at this time to nineteen thousand, six hundred and eighty nine dollars and thirty-six cents ($19,689 36,) in stock. The investment has not been increased during the year.

JAMES S. SMITH, } *Trustees of the*
GEO. M. WHARTON, } *Episcopal Fund.*

Philadelphia, May 17th, 1847.

In Account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. **Cr.**

						Doll.	C.
1846		Amount brought forward,				1286	94
		Receipts from the A. Doz. Legacy for the support of the Episcopate, per T. H. White, Esq., one of the Trustees.					
June	3	By 6 mos. int. on Penn. loan,	$35 31				
		Discount on Relief notes,	40				
				34 91			
Nov.	5	M'Call's ground rent, $12, less taxes $3 20,		8 80			
1847 F.	11	Wm. Stewart's do.		144 00			
	5	Six mos. interest on Penn. Loan,	$35 31				
		Discount on Relief notes,	40				
				34 91		222	62
1846		Receipts from the Pilmore Legacy, per J. S. Newbold, Treas.					
Aug.	28	By 6 mos. int. on $7664 57 Penn. 5 per cent.	$191 61				
		Less State tax,	$9 58				
		Dis. on Relief notes, $121, at 1¾ p. ct.	2 12				
				11 70			
					179 91		
1847							
May	11	By 6 mos. int. on $7664 57 Penn. 5 per ct.	$191 61				
		Less State tax,	$9 58				
		Discount on Relief notes,	1 90				
				11 48			
					180 13		
						360	04
		Receipt from Loan in aid of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in Pennsylvania, held in trust by the P. E. Society for the advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, per J. S. Newbold, Esq., Treasurer:					
	"	By proportion of the invested balance,			$35 97		
		Income from investments,			160 41		
						196	38
1846		Special contributions in aid of the Bishop's salary:					
June	25	St. James' church, Philadelphia,			$150 00		
Octob.	14	St. Luke's do. do.		$82 50			
1847							
Jan.	19	Do. do. do.		67 50			
					150 00		
1846							
Nov.	5	Church of the Epiphany do.			150 00		
	7	Christ church, do.			150 00		
Dec.	10	St. Paul's do. do.		$75 00			
1847							
March	15	Do. do. do.		75 00			
					150 00		
1846							
Dec.	15	St. Stephen's church, do.			150 00		
	"	St. Andrew's do. do.			150 00		
	18	Grace do. do.			150 00		
Nov.	28	St. Philip's do. do.			100 00		
						1300	00
		The contribution from St. Peter's ch., Phil'a., for 1846-47, having been made prior to the date of the last account was included in it.					
		Balance due the Treasurer,				134	02
						3500	00

E. & O. E.

Philadelphia, May 11th, 1847.

JNO. WELSH, Jr., *Treasurer.*

Dr. **Fund for Relief of the Sufferers by Famine in Ireland and**

1847		Dol.	C.
March 12	To cash paid Samuel C. Morton & Co., for 400 bbls. corn meal at $4 50, for Ireland,	1800	00
27	" " " " 200 bbls. corn meal at do. for Ir'd.	900	00
	"These two parcels say 600 barrels were shipped per 'Monongahela,' consigned to Brown, Shipley & Co. for Ireland."		
31	To cash paid postage,	1	10
	" " discount on foreign paper,	1	85
	Amount carried forward,	2702	95

Scotland, in Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1847		Dol.	C.
March 1	By contribution from Trinity church, Shepherdstown, Va.	150	00
2	" " St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia,	700	00
3	" " St. John's church, Carlisle,	40	00
8	" " St. James' church, Kingsessing,	50	53
	" " Christ church, Reading,	145	58
	" " St. Thomas' church, Morgantown,	27	00
	" " St. Luke's church, Germantown,	83	11
	" " St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg,	100	00
	" " St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh,	117	62
	" " St. James the Less' church, Philadel'a. Co.	37	00
	" " Church of the Redemption, Philadelphia,	12	25
	" " Emanuel church, Kensington,	50	00
	" " St. James' church, Bristol,	61	33
	" " Trinity church, Pottsville,	124	44
10	" " St. James' church, Downingtown,	10	35
	" " Christ church, Upper Merion,	17	00
	" " St. John's church, Norristown,	51	00
	" " St. Thomas' African church, Philadelphia,	12	12
11	" " Church of the Epiphany, do.	515	75
	" " Christ church, Brownsville,	30	00
	" " Christ church, Danville and Derry,	69	00
	" " St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk,	35	00
	" " " " Lewistown,	32	32
	" " St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook,	40	22
	" " St. Mary's church, Chester,	32	78
	" " St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg,	37	00
12	" " St. John's church, Bellefonte,	42	95
	" " " " Huntingdon,	14	06
	" " All Hallow's Parish, Snow Hill, Maryland,	20	35
	" " St. John's church, Pequa,	26	33
	" " Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden,	58	11
	" " St. Peter's church, Philadelphia,	1000	00
	" " Calvary church,	18	29
	" " St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia,	66	35
	" " A Lady,	5	00
	" " St. Peter's church, Phœnixville,	37	00
	" " St. James' church, Muncy,	30	00
13	" " Trinity church, Easton,	20	00
	" " St. James' church, Philadelphia,	620	56
	" " St. Peter's church, Uniontown, and Grace church, Menallen,	31	00
15	" " St. Paul's church, Erie,	40	00
	" " St. Matthew's church, Francisville,	40	20
	" " St. John's church, Northern Liberties,	44	25
	" " Trinity church, Pittsburgh,	385	00
	" " Christ church, Allegheny city,	14	00
	" " St. Andrew's church, Pittsburgh,	185	00
16	" " Christ church, Pottstown,	50	00
	" " St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin,	8	00
	" " St. Thomas' ch. White Marsh, additional,	10	37
	" " All Saint's church, Paradise,	45	00
	" " St. Mark's church, Frankford,	29	50
	" " St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven,	45	77
17	" " Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia,	141	50
	" " St. James' church, Philadelphia, additional,	1	50
	" " Zion's Parish, St. Andrew's Parish, Jefferson county, Va.	123	39
	" " St. John's church, Bellefonte, additional,	13	00
	" " Grace ch. Hulmeville, St. Luke's ch. Newtown, St. Andrew's ch. Yardleyville, and Trinity ch. Centreville, Bucks county, Pa.	25	00
	Amount carried forward,	5772	88

Dr. Fund for Relief of the Sufferers by Famine in Ireland and

			Dol. C.
1847		Amount brought forward,	2702 95
April	9	To cash paid insurance on $3000 corn meal shipped per the Monongahela to Liverpool,	46 00
	27	" " S. C. Morton & Co. on ac't. of purchase corn meal,	2800 00
May	6	" " " in full " "	2899 25
	12	" " bill of cartage,	13 83
		" " premium of insurance per Burlington,	93 15
		" " sundry postages,	1 00
		Balance in hands of Treasurer,	56 15
			$8612 33

At a meeting of the Wardens of the several churches in the City of Philadelphia, convened by the Bishop of the Diocese, for the purpose of consultation upon the disposition to be made of the funds contributed by the churches for the sufferers by famine in Ireland and Scotland, in conformity with his Pastoral letter.

Bishop Potter took the Chair, and Thomas Robins was requested to act as Secretary.

After an interchange of views and opinions and a free discussion of the suggestions and plans proposed, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the contributions of the churches to aid and relieve the suffering Irish and Scotch, be invested in bread stuffs or other suitable provisions, and that one fourth be appropriated to Scotland and three fourths to Ireland.

Resolved, That the contributions so invested in bread stuffs, or other provisions, intended for Ireland, be shipped to Liverpool, and consigned to Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co., with instructions to hold the same subject to the order of the Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin, under whose control and direction it is to be distributed to the suffering Irish of all sects and denominations without distinction.

Resolved, That the disposition of the contributions intended for Scotland be referred to a committee consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, and Messrs. Wm. Welsh and Thomas Robins, with power to act fully in the premises.

Resolved, That Messrs. Wm. Welsh and Thomas Robins, be and they are hereby constituted and appointed a committee to make the purchases, and to superintend the shipment of all the provisions both for Ireland and Scotland.

On motion, adjourned.

THOMAS ROBINS, *Secretary.*

Vestry Room, St. Andrews Church,
March 15th, 1847.

In fulfilment of the duties imposed upon them by the foregoing resolutions, the committee appointed to make the purchases of bread stuffs, &c., have bought of Messrs. Samuel C. Morton & Co., eighteen hundred and thirteen barrels of corn meal, it being in their opinion the best and most suitable article for the exigency of the sufferers; of this thirteen hundred and thirty-eight barrels have been directed to Ireland, and four hundred and seventy-five barrels to Scotland; there was one contribution made specially for Scotland, which being added to the quantity appropriated from the general fund, makes the whole quantity rather over the amount designated in the resolutions. Six hundred barrels were shipped by the ship Monongahela in March, this was directed to Ireland, which place we presume it has ere now reached; the remaining seven hundred and thirty-eight barrels for Ireland, and the four hundred and seventy-five barrels for Scotland were shipped in the ship Burlington, which sailed a few days since, consigned as directed in the resolutions to Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co., who have kindly consented to attend to it in Liverpool without charge, and to see that it goes forward as intended to its respective places of destination—all the shipments are fully insured. The party from whom purchases were made liberally abated the cost of inspection amounting to over thirty dollars, and the shipments have been made almost entirely free of extra charges, as the account will show.

The small amount remaining in the Treasurer's hands it is proposed to remit to Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co., Liverpool, to meet any contingent expense which may accrue there.

Philadelphia, May 18th, 1847.

Scotland, in Account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1847		Dol.	C.
	Amount brought forward,	5772	83
March 17	By contribution from St. John's church, Salem, Wayne county,	7	00
18	" " St. Andrew's church, Chester county,	15	00
19	" " Christ church, Lancaster county,	12	00
	" " All Saint's church, Moyamensing,	21	11
20	" " St. David's church, Radnor,	18	59
	" " St. Luke's church, Philadelphia,	627	50
	" " St. David's church, Manayunk,	13	00
22	" " St Mark's church, New Milford,	32	25
	" " St. Andrew's church, Springville,	18	00
	" " St. Paul's church, Montrose,	11	75
	" " Trinity church, Oxford,	26	21
	" " St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,	87	44
	" " Grace church, Philadelphia,	639	34
	" " St. Matthew's church, Sunbury,	40	00
	" " Christ church, Williamsport,	27	62
23	" " Church of the Advent, Philadelphia,	92	00
	" " St. Michael's church, Armstrong county,	8	00
24	" " St. John's church, York,	51	50
	" " Christ church, Philadelphia,	752	02
	" " same for Scotland,	65	12
25	" " St. James church, Perkiomen,	19	00
	" " All Hallow's Parish, Snow Hill, Md., add'l.	5	25
29	" " Greensburg and Blairsville,	22	00
31	" " Emanuel church, Holmesburg,	22	00
	" " Anonymous, per Mr. Kirkham,	30	50
April 2	" " Calvary church, Rockdale,	19	50
	" through the Rev. J. Long, Montrose, contributed by YOUTH of his Parishes, in addition to the church contributions,	9	00
5	" from St. Paul's church, Kittaning,	30	50
	" " Trinity church, Freeport,	16	00
6	" " " " Carbondale,	42	00
	" " St. Paul's church, Lacyville,	10	00
	" " St. John's church, Concord,	5	75
13	" " St. Paul's church, West Whiteland,	13	00
	" " St. Peter's church, Great Valley,	4	00
20	" " a "Churchman,"	5	00
22	" " All Saint's church, Philadelphia county,	20	50
		$8612	33
	By balance in hands of Thomas Robins, Treasurer,	$56	15

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 18th, 1847.

APPENDIX.

Copy of Letters occasioned by a transmission of Contributions from the Protestant Episcopal Church in Pennsylvania, to the Irish Poor.

TREASURY CHAMBERS,
30th April, 1847.

Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. Liverpool.

GENTLEMEN:

The Lords Commissioners of her Majesty's Treasury having had under consideration, your letter of the 28th inst., inclosing a bill of lading &c. of 600 barrels of Indian corn meal, shipped per "Monongahela," with the proceeds of money subscribed by the citizens of Philadelphia, for the relief of the distress in Ireland and Scotland, I am commanded to acquaint you that my Lords will be prepared to pay the freight and charges on the Indian corn meal in question, on receiving a statement of the amounts; and on being informed that the Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin, to whom the meal is consigned, have consented to take charge of it with a view to its gratuitous distribution.

I am gentlemen, your most obedient servant,

(Signed) C. V. TREVELYAN.

Per Britannia,

Thomas Robins, and
William Welsh, Esqrs. Phila.

LIVERPOOL, May 1, 1847.

GENTLEMEN:

We are in receipt of your letter of 25th March, enclosing bill of lading for 600 barrels of corn meal, shipped by the Monongahela, for the aid of the Irish, and to be distributed as directed by the Lord Primate and the Archbishop of Dublin. The Monongahela has arrived, and it will afford us much pleasure to receive and forward the same free of all commissions. We have made application to the Lords of Her Majesty's

Treasury respecting the payment of the freight, and herewith we end a copy of their reply. The Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin have arranged for the distribution of the meal, which will be forwarded to Ireland without delay.

Yours respectfully,

BROWN, SHIPLEY & Co.

I.—Bishop Potter to the Archbishops of the Church in Ireland.

To his Grace the Archbishop of Armagh, Lord Primate of all Ireland.

My Lord—The undersigned, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Pennsylvania, being deeply impressed with the tidings of famine which have reached this country from Ireland, requested the Clergy under his charge to collect from their respective parishes, contributions for the relief of the sufferers. The request has been promptly and cheerfully complied with. In addition to large sums which have been contributed by the more affluent members of the Church in this Diocese, and which have been forwarded through other channels, the collections made in the churches, many of which are poor, will amount to some £1800. Three-fourths of the amount will be expended in bread-stuffs, (principally corn meal,) and will be placed, in equal parts, at the disposal of your Grace, and of the Archbishop of Dublin. It goes as a contribution from the Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania, to the Episcopal Church of Ireland, well known as a generous almoner, for the poor of every name. I need hardly say to your Grace, that it is the wish of the donors that their bounty should be distributed among the most necessitous, without reference to their creed or religious profession.

Trusting you will excuse us for the trouble we are causing you, I beg you to believe me,

With high consideration,

Your Grace's friend and servant,

A. POTTER.

Phiada., March 30, 1847.

II.—The Archbishop of Armagh to Bishop Potter.

LONDON, April 24, 1847.

RIGHT REV. SIR—I have received your letter of the 24th of March, and I beg you to accept my most grateful thanks for the

generous contribution towards the relief of the destitute poor of Ireland, from the Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania, and I have to request that you will present my best acknowledgments to the Clergy of your Diocese, and to their congregations, not only for the very liberal assistance which they have given, but also for the brotherly feeling which they have manifested towards the sufferers in our country. In the midst of the awful calamity with which it has seemed fit to Almighty God to visit us, it has indeed cheered our hearts to find that even in the most distant lands, we have fellow Christians sympathizing in the distress of our afflicted poor, and ready to use every exertion in their power, to aid us in providing them with food.

The Clergymen mentioned in the memorandum of the Rev. Mr. Ogilby, which was enclosed in your letter, are known to me, some of them personally—all of them by character, and none could have been named to whom I should with more confidence intrust the distribution of the relief which you have forwarded: they are not only persons of high respectability, but of long tried experience, benevolence and piety. I have given directions to my man of business, to request Messrs. Brown and Shipley of Liverpool, to forward to them the quantities of corn meal marked in Mr. Ogilby's paper. The remaining 100 barrels of the cargo I shall have sent to Dunstable, in the County of Louth, to be transmitted from thence to the Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rector of Forkhill, the Rev. Ed. O. Disney, Rector of Newton, Hamilton, and the Rev. Dr. Atkinson, Rector of Creggan—three parishes situated in a wild range of mountains, in the Diocese of Armagh, where want of food, and (in consequence of it,) disease has reduced the people to extreme distress.—Although measures have been adopted by our legislature, for providing temporary relief for the destitute, they have not as yet come sufficiently into operation to afford the assistance of which they stand in need, and the distress in many districts of the country is of a most urgent kind, so that the valuable contribution which you have sent is truly seasonable, and will, I trust, prove the means of alleviating the sufferings of a great number of families. In the efforts made by the Parochial Clergy of the established church to relieve their distressed parishioners, no distinction has been made on the ground of difference of religious profession, and your wishes on

this subject will be most gladly carried into effect. Again thanking you for the aid you have sent us, and for the friendly communication in which you have informed me of it, I remain,

With much respect, your faithful servant,

JOHN G. ARMAGH.

III.—The Archbishop of Dublin to Bishop Potter.

LONDON, April 29, 1847.

RIGHT REV. AND DEAR SIR:—I have just received the intelligence of the arrival at Liverpool, of the corn meal which has been so kindly and liberally sent for the relief of the distressed people of Ireland. The utmost care shall be taken to distribute this most welcome and seasonable supply, in such a manner as to carry into effect, as far as possible, the benevolent intentions of the donors. To you and the rest of them, I return, in behalf of the suffering poor, my most grateful acknowledgments. As a memorial, which I hope will be a lasting one, of your kindness and of our gratitude, I shall direct a parcel of books to be forwarded to you, which I wish to be considered as the property of yourself and your successors in office. Believe me to be

Very truly yours,

RICHARD WHATELY,
Archbishop of Dublin.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following Reports were received too late for insertion in their regular order.

Report of the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wellsboro, Tioga County.

Congregation, families, 60, adults, 180, children, 157, total, 337; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 12, total, 14; communicants, added, 2, died or removed, 1, present number, 57; marriages, 3; burials, 11; public services, on Sundays, 98, other days, 34, total, 130; children catechized in the Church every Sunday; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 3, pupils, 25; female, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 40, total, schools, 2, teachers, 9, pupils, 65; collections, Episcopal fund, $10 00, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, the Treasurer has the amount. Missionary and other purposes, $77 50, Convention fund, $5 00.

During the past year, I have officiated in the various villages of this county; and in a number of school houses in the vicinity of Wellsboro, at intervals of three or four weeks. I have undertaken two catechetical schools in the neighbourhood of the village, which, by the blessing of God, I trust will be of great benefit to the children, and eventually to the Church. Feb. 19th, I officiated at Coudersport, the county-seat of Potter co., where there is a strong feeling in favour of the ministrations of the church. Sunday 21st, I held service, and administered the Communion at Smithport, the county-seat of McKean co. 23d, I travelled to a remote settlement on the Sinnamahoning creek, where I held an evening service, and baptized a child. The influence of the Rev. J. B. Pradt is still sensibly felt in these counties, and it would be wise in the church to send them a missionary at an early date.

Report of the Rev. Samuel A. Clark, Deacon.

I was admitted to deacon's orders on Sunday the 14th of March. Since Easter, I have been engaged in missionary labour in the southwestern part of Philadelphia. Baptisms, adult, 1, children, 3; total, 4; marriage, 1; burials, 3; I have preached 21 times.

Report of the Rev. Peter Russell, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk, Carbon County.

Number of families, 30; communicants, added, 5, removed, 3, died, 2, present number, 20; services held, and sermons preached in Mauch Chunk, at Summit-Hill, Nesquetoning, Rockport, and White-Haven, 112; communion administered 5 times; baptized 8 infants; weddings, 6; funerals, 5; collections, $35, for the relief of the poor of Ireland and Scotland; Convention fund, $2 00, Episcopal fund, $4 00, total, $41 00.

The church edifice commenced several years ago is not yet completed. I hope that at the next Convention, I can report that *it is finished;* and well filled with an attentive congregation, who assemble themselves together each Sabbath to listen to the preaching of the "comfortable gospel of Christ," and who are doers of the Word which they hear.

Report of the Rev. H. S. Spackman, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Frankford, Philadelphia County.

Baptisms, adults, 9, infants, 38, total, 47; confirmed, 14; communicants, added, 18, died or removed, 2, present number, 47; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 60, other days, 16, total, 76; children catechised, 24, times, 2; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 62; female, 1, teachers, 10, pupils, 78; total, schools, 2, teachers, 18, pupils, 140; Bible classes, 1, members, 18; collections, for Scotch and Irish, $29 25, Convention fund, $2 35, other purposes, $8, total, $39 60.

I commenced the discharge of my duties in the parish, on the 22d of October, 1846; the foregoing report only embraces the period between that date and the meeting of the Convention.

Report of the Rev. B. S. Huntington, Rector of Calvary Church, Rockdale, and of St. John's Church, Concord, Delaware County.

CALVARY CHURCH, ROCKDALE.

Congregation, families, 58, adults, 121, children, 130, total, 251; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 13, total, 15; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 6, removed, 6, present number, 46; marriages, 4; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 56, other days, 10, total, 66; Sunday school, teachers, 12, pupils, 120; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 00, missionary and other purposes, $414 00.

The Church is undergoing very thorough repair, at an expense of about $500 00, of which, $380 00 have been collected by the congregation.

St. John's Church, Concord.

Congregation, families, 40, adults, 94, children, 40, total, 134; confirmed, 2; communicants, died, 1, present number, 53; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 40, other days, 2, total, 42.

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, 1848, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

GEORGE M. WHARTON, *Secretary.*

Officers and Agents of Church Institutions,

IN PHILADELPHIA.

President of the Standing Committee, . .	Rev. Dr. Morton, No. 4 Clinton Street.
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Corresponding Secretary and Chairman of the Com. Missions of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania,	Rev. J. C. Clay, Swanson Street, near the Swedes Church.
Recording Secretary of do. do.	Mr. Edmund Wilson, No. 145 Market St.
Treasurer of do. do.	Mr. Jas. S. Newbold, No. 89 South 6th St.

Form of Certificate of Election of Lay Delegates.

It is hereby certified, that, at a meeting of the vestry of Church in in the county of , held on the day of 18 , Mr. was duly elected a lay deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to be held in on the day of next; and that the said deputy is now, and has also been for not less than the six calendar months next before his election, a worshipper in the said Church.

Dated this of 18

{ Wardens.

{ Vestrymen.

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" *William Adderly,
" T. G. Allen,
" F. W. Beasley,
" W. H. Bourns,
" S. Bowman, D. D.
" G. Boyd, D. D.
" C. Breck,
" E. Y. Buchanan,
" L. Bull, D. D.
" W. M. Carmichael, D. D.
" *W. J. Clark,
" J. C. Clay, D. D.
" J. B. Clemson,
" *J. H. Coit,
" J. Coleman, D. D.
" A. S. Colton,
" W. C. Cooley,
" *S. Cowell,
" *T. Crumpton,
" R. Davis,
" W. N. Diehl,

Rev. B. Dorr, D. D.
" J. N. Douglass,
" G. C. Drake,
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.
" G. E. Durborow,
" *H. Dyer, D. D.
" G. G. Field,
" W. Flint,
" J. H. Fowles,
" *R. D. Hall,
" A. D. Hard,
" N. S. Harris,
" G. E. Hare, D. D.
" S. Hazlehurst,
" H. T. Hiester,
" W. J. Hilton,
" J. W. Hoffman,
" G. P. Hopkins,
" M. Hirst,
" M. A. De W. Howe,
" N. M. Jones,
" G. Kirke,

Rev. F. Lane,
" E. Leaf,
" M. C. Lightner,
" J. Long,
" S. T. Lord,
" J. H. Marsden,
" B. A. Marple,
" J. G. Maxwell,
" E. Mendenhall,
" T. H. Michell,
" G. Mintzer,
" R. U. Morgan, D. D.
" H. E. Montgomery,
" B. W. Morris,
" H. J. Morton, D. D.
" J. P. Nash,
" G. W. Natt,
" E. Neville, D. D.
" R. Newton,
" W. H. Norris,
" W. H. Odenheimer,
" F. Ogilby,
" W. S. Perkins,
" W. Preston,
" A. Prior,
" T. H. Quinan,
Rev. J. Reynolds,
" G. W. Ridgely,
" J. Rodney,
" J. M. Rogers,
" P. Russell,
" G. Sheets,
" J. H. Smith,
" R. Smith,
" H. S. Spackman,
" T. A. Starkey,
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" K. J. Stewart,
" W. Suddards,
" W. L. Suddards,
" M. R. Talbot,
" H. Tullidge,
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" P. Van Pelt,
" John A. Vaughan, D. D.
" H. H. Weld,
" W. White,
" B. Wilson, D. D.
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" E. Woodward,
" T. C. Yarnall,
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LAY DEPUTIES.

*Thomas Ashburner,
Lewis R. Ashhurst,
Hamilton Alricks,
Thomas Allibone,
William Alexander,
John P. Aertsen,
Dr. J. M. Allen,
James M. Aertsen,
Frederick B. Backus,
Edward C. Biddle,

Alexander Brown,
*Simmons H. Barrett,
William Ball,
*Joseph B. Baker,
*David Brisbane,
Thomas K. Bull,
*Dr. J. Brunner,
Peter Baldy,
H. L. Bollman,
*Benj. Brooke,
*Alexander E. Browne,
Charles N. Bancker,
Samuel Breck,
Giles Boulton,
George Blight,
*Wm. D. Brown,
*Mahlon Brown,
Henry W. Brinton,
*Hill Brinton,
George Breck,
Thomas M. Charlton,
*Harry Conrad,
*Wm. P. Cresson,
Herman Cope,
John W. Claghorn,
*Dr. Isaac Davis,
Edward Davies,
Jacob P. Donaldson,
Samuel N. Davies,
Dr. Wm. Darlington,
Dr. Robley Dunglison,
Lambert Duy,
*Wm. A. Dubosq,
James M. Davis,
*Wm. H. Duffield,
*Nathaniel Ellmaker,
Thomas Evans,
George Fox,
*Edward Foard,
*John Fildes,
John L. Goddard,
*Chas. F. Gebler, M. D.,
*Edmund Green,
John D. George,
*Samuel Gormley,
*Joseph Gest,
*John Gray,
*Wm. S. Hill,
Robert Henderson,
John S. Haverstick,
Henry Hay,
*Isaac Hiester, M. D.,
Francis Hoskins,
James Y. Humphreys,
*James Humphrey,
*George Hogg,
John Holmes,
Edward Helfenstein,
Alexander L. Hayes,
George Helmuth,
George Harrison,
Robert E. Hobart,
*William Harmer.
Charles W. Harrison,
*William B. Jacobs,
Jon. Jones,
J. G. Johnson,
Wm. P. Johnston,
James Johnson,
*Benj. Johnson,
Phineas Jenks,
*Joseph S. Keen,
Wm. Kirkham,
Wm. H. Klapp,
*James C. Kempton,
*David D. Lewis,

*Wm. Lilly,
*Jno. Lambert,
J. D. Logan,
Joel Lightner,
Wm. Letford,
Lawrence Lewis,
*Richard P. Lardner,
James Leonard,
Dr. Samuel Lewis,
Ellis Lewis,
*John S. Littell,
*L. S. Lardner,
Caspar Morris, M. D.,
*Wm. P. Michael,
James K. Mendenhall,
*Edward Wm. Mumford,
William Martin,
Wm. M. Meredith,
Richard R. Montgomery,
James Moore,
Thomas McSorley,
Richard McAllister,
Matthew McPaul,
*Wilson McCandless,
Alex. McLeester,
Isaac Norton,
*R. C. Nagle,
*John Paul,
*Wm. B. Potts,
Frederick W. Porter,
Asa Packer,
Edward Owen Parry,
*George H. Potts,
*John N. Purviance,
*Robert W. Packer,
Thomas M. Pettit,
Thomas H. Powers,
*David Plank,
Geo. W. Pearce,
*John B. Parker,
John H. Purdy,
C. S. Pancoast,
Cromwell Pearce,
*Richard J. Rutter,
William L. Rehn,
Joseph S. Riley,
Robert Ralston,
*Leonard F. Roberts,
*Andrew Robeson,
Henry Reed,
*J. Ripka, Jr.,
J. Rosencrantz, M. D.,
Osmon Reed,
George D. Rembaugh,
Dr. Edward F. Ribinus,
Thomas Robins,
James Ridings,
Clement S. Rutter,
Samuel Shafer,
Levi B. Smith,
Wm. H. Sayre,
George M. Stroud,
James S. Smith,
James Stewart,
William Stavely,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Samuel Shaw,
Richard S. Smith,
H. M. Sheaff,
Adam Slemmer,
John Shannon,
*Theodore R. Sitgraves,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Charles M. Stokes,
W. H. Stokes,
Samuel Swift,

*Samuel G. Slack,
Aubrey H. Smith,
Antes Snyder,
*A. Thomas,
Caleb P. Talbot,
Thomas Thompson,
*Joshua Townsend,
John Tucker,
*Dr. Samuel Thomas,
*William Trainer,
G. M. Wharton,
Thomas C. Williams,
Samuel Wagner.
Charles Wheeler,
Charles Wingate,
Dr. Francis West,
George R. White,
W. M. Watts,
Wm. Wills,
*Horace E. Wolf,
Wm. Welsh,
*Charles R. Webb,
Peter Williamson,
James Williams,
John Yocum,
*Peter Yocum,
Isaac Yocom.

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NOTE.—Those whose names are marked thus * were not present at the Convention.

ROLL OF LAY DEPUTIES,

FROM THE SEVERAL CHURCHES OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Allegheny County. Trinity church, City of Pittsburg. George R. White, Samuel Gormley, Wilson McCandless.

St. Andrew's church, city of Pittsburg. George Hogg, John Holmes, H. L. Bollman.

Berks County. St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin. Isaac Yocom.

Christ church, Reading. Isaac Hiester, Jos. L. Stichter, Robert W. Packer.

St. Thomas' church, Morgantown. Levi B. Smith, Dr. J. Brunner, David Plank.

Bucks County. St. James the Greater's church. James Johnson, George Breck.

St. Luke's church, Newtown. Dr. Phineas Jenks, R. C. Nagle.

St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville. Wm. D. Brown, Samuel G. Slack, Mahlon Brown.

Grace church, Hulmeville. George Harrison, Samuel Swift, Joshua Townsend.

Trinity church, Centreville. William Stavely.

Carbon County. St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk. Wm. H. Sayre, Asa Packer, Wm. Lilly.

Chester County. St. John's church, New London township. Thomas M. Charlton, Thomas Ashburner, Edward Foard.

St. Mary's church, Warwick township. Thomas K. Bull, Samuel Shafer, Leonard F. Roberts.

St. Peter's church, Great Valley. Cromwell Pearce, John Tucker.

St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township. Jon'a. Jones, A. Thomas.

St. Andrew's church, West Vincent. James K. Mendenhall, John Paul, Isaac Davis.

St. Mark's church, Honeybrook. John Yocum, Caleb P. Talbot.

Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester. Doctor William Darlington, Dr. Edward F. Rivinus. George W. Pearce.

St. James' church, Downington. George D. Rembaugh, James Humphrey.

Christ Church, Danville. Peter Baldy.

Cumberland County. St. John's church, Carlisle. John B. Parker, W. M. Watts, Edward Helfenstein.

Dauphin County. St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg. Hamilton Alricks, Richard McAllister, John N. Purviance.

Delaware County. St. Paul's church, Chester. J. G. Johnson, Samuel Shaw, Dr. J. M. Allen.

St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook. Benjamin F. Johnson, William Trainer, John Gray.

St. John's church, Concord township. Henry W. Brinton, Joseph Gest, Hill Brinton.

St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor. Isaac Norton, Benjamin Brooke.

Calvary church, Rockdale. John Fildes, Richard S. Smith.

Lancaster County. St. James' church, Lancaster. Ellis Lewis, Alexander L. Hayes, Nathaniel Ellmaker.

Christ church, Leacock. Richard S. Rutter, Thomas McSorley, David Brisbane.

Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown. Edward Davies, Andrew Robeson, William B. Jacobs.

All Saints' church, Paradise. Joel Lightner, Joseph Boyd Baker, William P. Michael.

Montgomery County. St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township. H. M. Sheaff.

St. John's church, Norristown. Adam Slemmer, John Shannon, William Wills.

Christ church, Pottstown. Robert E. Hobart, Antes Snyder.

Northampton County. Trinity church, Easton. Theodore R. Sitgreaves, Alexander E. Brown, Horace E. Wolf.

Northumberland County. St. Matthew's church, Sunbury. William P. Johnston, John H. Purdy.

Philadelphia County. Christ church, Philadelphia. Wm. M. Meredith, Dr. Francis West, James Y. Humphreys.

St. Peter's church, Philadelphia. James S. Smith, Henry Reed, Lawrence Lewis.

St. James' church, Philadelphia. G. M. Wharton, Robert Ralston, T. M. Pettit.

St. Paul's church, Philadelphia. John D. George, Samuel N. Davies, William Alexander.

St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia. Charles N. Bancker, William Kirkham, Dr. Robley Dunglison.

St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia. Cornelius Stevenson, Thomas Robins, Lambert Duy.

Grace church, Philadelphia. Herman Cope, John W. Claghorn, Francis Hoskins.

Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia. John P. Aertsen, Dr. Samuel Lewis, William Martin.

St. Luke's church, Philadelphia. Samuel Breck, William Welsh, James M. Aertsen.

Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia. Lewis R. Ashurst, Frederick W. Porter, Caspar Morris, M. D.

Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia. Edward C. Biddle, John L. Goddard, Wm. L. Rehn.

St. John's church, Northern Liberties. Henry Hay, Wm. Lettford, Dr. Charles F. Gebler.

Advent church, Northern Liberties. Frederick R. Backus, J. S. Haverstick, Joseph S. Riley.

All Saints' church, Moyamensing. James Moore, Richard R. Montgomery, James Ridings.

Church of the Evangelists, Southwark. Giles Boulton, Charles R. Webb, William A. Dubosq.

Trinity church, Southwark. Peter Williamson, Clement S. Rutter, William H. Klapp.

Gloria Dei church, Southwark. James Stewart, Peter Yocum, Alexander McLeester.

St. Philip's church, Spring Garden. Thos. H. Powers, Harry Conrad, Wm. P. Cresson.

Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden. Thomas Thompson, James M. Davis, Thomas Evans.

Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden. James Leonard, Osmon Reed, Charles Wingate.

Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond. Robert Henderson, William Ball.

St. James' church, Kingsessing. Wm. Harmer, Dr. Samuel Thomas, Aubrey H. Smith.

St. Matthew's church, Francisville. G. M. Stroud, John Lambert, J. D. Logan.

St. James the Less church, North Penn township. James C. Kempton, George Blight, George Helmuth.

All Saints' church, Lower Dublin township. Charles W. Harrison, Lawrence S. Lardner.

Emanuel church, Holmesburg. Alex. Brown, George Fox, Simmons H. Barrett.

Trinity church, Oxford township. Edmund Green, Richard P. Lardner.

St. Mark's church, Frankford. James Williams, Wm. H. Duffield, C. S. Pancoast.

St. Luke's church, Germantown. John S. Littell, Charles M. Stokes, W. H. Stokes.

Emmanuel church, Kensington. Jacob P. Donaldson, Matthew McPaul, Edward Wm. Mumford.

St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia. Thomas Allibone, Joseph S. Keen, Charles Wheeler.

St. David's church, Manayunk. J. Ripka, Jr., Samuel Wagner, J. Rosencrantz.

Schuylkill County. Trinity church, Pottsville. Edward Owen Parry, Thos. C. Williams, George H. Potts.

St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven. Wm. B. Potts, Wm. S. Hill, David D. Lewis.

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PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Tuesday, May 16th, A. D. 1848, 5 o'clock, P. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several clergymen and Lay Deputies, attended at St. Andrew's Church.

The chair being taken by the Bishop, the Convention proceeded to organize.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats was called over by the Secretary, and the following answered to their names, viz:

Rev. J. G. Allen,
" W. H. Bourns,
" Samuel Bowman, D. D.
" George Boyd, D. D.
" E. Y. Buchanan,
" Levi Bull, D. D.
" W. M. Carmichael, D. D.
" J. C. Clay, D. D.
" J. B. Clemson,
" John Coleman, D. D.
" A. S. Colton,
" Wm. C. Cooley,
" Benj. Dorr, D. D.
" J. N. Douglass,
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.
" Geo. G. Field,
" W. Flint,
" J. H. Fowles,
N. S. Harris,
G. Emlen Hare, D. D.

Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst,
" H. T. Heister,
" Jno. W. Hoffman,
" G. P. Hopkins,
" M. Hirst,
" A. DeW. Howe,
" Edmund Leaf,
" J. G. Maxwell,
" R. U. Morgan, D. D.
" H. E. Montgomery,
" B. W. Morris,
" H. J. Morton, D. D.
" J. P. Nash,
" G. W. Natt,
" R. Newton,
" W. H. Odenheimer,
" F. Ogilby,
" A. Prior,
" T. H. Quinan,
" J. Reynolds,

Rev. Jno. Rodney,
" J. M. Rogers,
" Peter Russell,
" G. Sheets,
" J. H. Smith,
" R. Smith,
" H. S. Spackman,
" T. A. Starkey,
Rev. Nathan Stem,
" Wm. Suddards,
" W. L. Suddards,
" M. R. Talbot,
" Henry Tullidge,
" P. Van Pelt,
" Thos. C. Yarnall,

The following Lay Deputies presented certificates of their appointment, which being in the form prescribed by the Canon, their names were recorded, and being called, they answered to their names and took their seats, viz:

L. R. Ashurst,
T. Allibone,
W. Alexander,
J. P. Aertsen,
J. M. Aertsen,
F. B. Backus,
E. C. Biddle,
A. Brown,
P. Baldy,
H. L. Bollman,
G. Boulton,
G. Blight,
H. Cope,
J. W. Claghorn,
E. Davies,
J. P. Donaldson,
Dr. W. Darlington,
Dr. R. Dunglison,
L. Duy,
J. M. Davis,
T. Evans,
J. D. George,
R. Henderson,
J. S. Haverstick,
H. Hay,
F. Hoskins,
J. Y. Humphreys,
J. Holmes,
E. Helfenstein,
A. L. Hayes,
G. Helmuth,
W. P. Johnston,
W. Kirkham,
W. H. Klapp,
J. D. Logan,
J. Lightner,
W. Letford,
L. Lewis,
Dr. S. Lewis,
E. Lewis,
W. Martin,
W. M. Meredith,
J. Moore,
R. R. Montgomery,
A. McLeester,
T. McSorley,
R. McAllister,
M. McPaul,
I. Norton,
F. W. Porter,

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[illegible] proceeded to elect an Assistant Secre- [illegible] Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer was nominated for [illegible] There being no other nomination, the balloting was, [illegible] rule, dispensed with; and the Rev. Mr. Oden-

vas duly elected, viva voce, to the office of Assistant
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s then Resolved, that the House shall hold two sessions
ıy, viz: from 9 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and
o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., provided that it shall
t on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock.

s also Resolved, that Clergymen of the Protestant Epis-
hurch belonging to this Diocese, and not entitled to seats
Convention; and Clergymen not belonging to this Dio-
ınd Clergymen of the Church of England or of her colo-
ınd Students of Divinity of the Episcopal Church; now
city, he admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

Secretary then read the Rules of Order from the Revised
lations as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form
ɔrayer, prescribed by the Bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall con-
ue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address
e chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the
ıouse, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the president, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any ques-

A. Packer,
T. H. Powers,
G. W. Pearce,
T. M. Pettit,
J. H. Purdy,
W. L. Rehn,
J. S. Riley,
R. Ralston,
O. Reed,
H. Reed,
J. Rosencrantz, M. D.
Dr. E. F. Rivinus,
T. Robins,
J. Ridings,
C. S. Rutter,
S. Shafer,
L. B. Smith,
W. H. Sayre,
G. M. Stroud,
J. S. Smith,
J. Stewart,
W. Stavely,
J. L. Stichter,
S. Shaw,
R. S. Smith,
H. M. Sheaff,
J. Shannon,
C. Stevenson,
C. M. Stokes,
T. Thompson,
G. M. Wharton,
T. C. Williams,
S. Wagner,
C. Wheeler,
Dr. F. West,
G. R. White,
W. M. Watts,
P. Williamson,
J. Williams,
I. Yocum.

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to choose a Secretary and Assistant Secretary. The Rev. P. Van Pelt, and Geo. M. Wharton, a Lay Deputy from St. James' Church, Phila., were respectively nominated for the office of Secretary. The Rev. Dr. Dorr, and the Rev. Mr. Howe were appointed Tellers, to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Drs. Darlington and West, Tellers, to receive the votes of the Lay Representations. The Tellers reported, that the whole number of votes cast, was, of the Clergy, 58, and of the Lay Representations, 51, and of these, that G. M. Wharton had received 38 clerical votes, and 37 Lay votes respectively, and the Rev. Mr. Van Pelt, 20 clerical votes and 14 Lay votes. Mr. Wharton was thereupon declared to be duly elected Secretary.

The Convention then proceeded to elect an Assistant Secretary; and the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer was nominated for that office. There being no other nomination, the balloting was, according to rule, dispensed with; and the Rev. Mr. Oden-

heimer was duly elected, viva voce, to the office of Assistant Secretary.

It was then Resolved, that the House shall hold two sessions every day, viz: from 9 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and from 5 o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., provided that it shall not meet on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock.

It was also Resolved, that Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church belonging to this Diocese, and not entitled to seats in this Convention; and Clergymen not belonging to this Diocese; and Clergymen of the Church of England or of her colonies; and Students of Divinity of the Episcopal Church; now in this city, he admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The Secretary then read the Rules of Order from the Revised Regulations as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form of prayer, prescribed by the Bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the president, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any ques-

tion is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the house is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the president leave the chair.

On motion of the Secretary, a Committee on Elections was appointed by the chair, viz: Messrs. Pettit, S. Wagner and Rivinus.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dorr, it was resolved to suspend the first section of the first of the Revised Regulations, in order to appoint a Committee on Charters, and on unfinished business. The Bishop accordingly appointed, as Committtee on Charters, Rev. Mr. Harris, and Messrs. Hayes, A. Brown and Rosencrantz, and as a Committee on unfinished business, Rev. Dr. Morgan and Rev. Messrs. Rogers and Cooley.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Morton, a Committee was also appointed to receive and report upon the claims of Clergymen to seats in the Convention, Rev. Dr. Morton, and Rev. Messrs. Howe and Flint were appointed the Committee.

Mr. Riley moved that the Committee appointed at the last Convention to report upon certain proposed amendments to the Constitution, be directed to print their Report for the use of the members of the Convention, but the motion was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved, as a 13th Rule of Order, "that no one of the foregoing Rules of Order be suspended unless by a vote of two-thirds of the house." This motion prevailed, and the rule was adopted. The Rev. Dr. Bull moved to reconsider the proposition, but the Convention refused to reconsider, and thereupon adjourned until 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, to attend Divine Service.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Wednesday, May 17th, A. D. 1848, 10 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met, and attended divine service. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Flint, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Natt, who read the lessons. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Yarnall. The Bishop having appointed this morning for the ordination of Messrs. Parvin, Miller, and Clotworthy to the order of the Priesthood, proceeded with the ordination service. The Rev. Mr. Howe presented the Rev. Messrs. Parvin and Miller, and the Rev. Mr. Flint presented the Rev. Mr. Clotworthy. The Rev. Messrs. Flint, Natt, Yarnall and Howe united with the Bishop in the laying on of hands.

The Convention was called to order after service. The roll was then called, and the minutes of yesterday P. M. read and approved.

The following Clergymen entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz.: the Rev. Messrs. Beasley, Breck, Diehl, Drake, Durborow, Hard, Hilton, Jones, Kirke, Lane, Long, Mendenhall, Mintzer, Perkins, Stewart, Upfold, Weld and Wiltberger.

And the following Lay Deputies, viz.: Allen, H. W. Brinton, Bancker, Breck, Charlton, Goddard, Harrison, Hobart, Jones, Johnson, Jenks, Mendenhall, Parry, Pancoast, Rembaugh, Slemmer, Swift, Wills and John Yocum, not present yesterday, and entitled to seats, appeared, having presented their proper certificates, and took their seats.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Stem and Breck as the two remaining members of the Committee on Charters, accidentally omitted to be appointed yesterday.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Morgan, it was Resolved, that the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. Mr. Yarnall, for his interesting and appropriate sermon preached this morning.

The Committee on unfinished business presented the following Report:

The Committee on unfinished business respectfully report, that they find on the Journal of the last Convention the following subjects of this class.

1st, pp. 54 and 55.—Preamble and resolutions presented by the Rev. Mr. Cooley, in relation to "A Church building

Society," which, on motion of the same Rev. gentleman, were laid on the table.

2d, pp. 57—58.—The Report of a Committee appointed at the preceding Convention, to inquire into "the propriety of requesting the Bishop of this Diocese" to ordain Deacons under the provisions of the 6th Canon of the General Convention, 1844, with a resolution attached recommending the same, which, on motion of Rev. Mr. Suddards, p. 70, "was postponed until the meeting of the next General Convention."

3d, p. 78.—The Report of the Committee—the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman—to whom were referred certain proposed alterations of the 6th Article of the Constitution of the Diocese; "and also to inquire what other amendments to the Constitution it may be expedient to submit to the consideration of the Convention."

And further, p. 80, to whom was submitted the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Bourns, to inquire whether it would be expedient so to alter the 9th Canon of the Diocese, as to elect annually only two clerical members and two lay members of the Standing Committee.

R. U. MORGAN, Chairman.
F. M. ROGERS,
WM. C. COOLEY.

The Committee on Elections reported as follows:

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Committee to whom were referred the testimonials of the lay deputations, respectfully report,

That they have examined the testimonials referred to them, and, with the exceptions hereinafter mentioned, find them to be in due form, and properly authenticated.

The Committee observe, that the certificate signed by the Warden of St. James' Church, Kingsessing, does not state that each deputy named in it "is and has also been for not less than six months before the time of his election, a worshipper in the church or parish he is deputed to represent."

As the 13th Canon requires that the certificate shall contain such a clause, and declares that "no other certificate or evidence

of the appointment of any Lay Deputy or Deputies to the Convention of this Diocese, shall be allowed or received, the Committee are obliged to report that the certificate is not in due form.

It appears, however, that on the 16th instant, Aubrey H. Smith, Esq., one of the deputies named in the paper, certified at the foot of it "that each of the above named deputies have been worshippers in the said St. James' Church of Kingsessing for more than six months previous to the date of the certificate."

The Committee believe that it is not competent to them to do more on this point than report this fact to the Convention.

The Committee further observe that the certificate for Lay Deputies from Christ Church, Meadville, does not contain the required clause relating to not less than six months worship in the church or parish; and also that it is signed by "W. W. Dick, Secretary, pro. tem.," though the Canon provides that the appointment of Lay Deputies shall be certified in writing by a Warden or two Vestrymen.

The Committee are compelled, therefore, to report that this certificate is not in due form, and is not properly authenticated.

It appears, however, that the Rev. Dr. Carmichael, Rector of said church, has added to the original paper his certificate, "that the said Deputies are now and have been for not less than six calendar months next before their election, worshippers in the said Christ Church, Meadville.

The Committee in this, as in the former instance, are of opinion that their powers are exhausted when they report to the Convention the evidence furnished on this point.

T. M. PETTIT,
For the Committee.

Philadelphia, May 17, 1848.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider and report upon certain proposed amendments to the Constitution, made Report, through the Rev. Dr. Dorr, as follows:

The Committee appointed at the last Diocesan Convention, (see Journal p. 78,) to consider and report on proposed alterations of the Constitution, and also to consider and report on a proposed alteration of the 9th Canon of the Church in this Diocese, (see Journal p. 80,) beg leave to report:—

That, in the opinion of your Committee, the proposed alteration of the 9th Canon would be inexpedient.

They also think that the amendment proposed of the 7th article of the Constitution, (see Journal p. 77,) would not be expedient.

In reference to the proposition for amending the 6th article of the Constitution, (see Journal p. 78,) your Committee would respectfully recommend the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the first three lines of the second paragraph of the 6th article of the Constitution be stricken out, and, in place thereof, there be inserted as follows:—

"All officers and committees appointed by ballot must, in order to their election, receive a majority of the whole number of votes cast at such election by each order, provided that there shall be no election unless there are present at the time a majority of the clerical members and a majority of the lay representations, who shall have appeared during the session and been admitted to seats; and such election, excepting that of the secretary and assistant secretary of the Convention, shall be held at five o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of the session."

Your Committee do not deem it expedient to recommend any further alterations of the Constitution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. POTTER, *Chairman.*

Philadelphia, May 16th, 1848.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dorr, the Report was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A.M. The Rev. Dr. Bull, from the minority of the same Committee, upon leave presented a Report as follows:

Proposed instead of Article Fourth of the Constitution of this Diocese.

SEC. I. The Convention shall be composed of clergymen and laymen. The Bishop and assistant Bishop, shall have a seat and vote in Convention. Every clergyman of the church, of whatever order, if he has been actually and personally, as well as canonically resident in this diocese, for the space of calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention; Deacons ordained under the 6th Canon of 44 of General Convention excepted, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in this Convention: Provided that

any temporary absence, by reason of sickness, and any absence not exceeding two calendar months in one year, and any further absence, with the written permission of the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, shall be taken into account in computing the said residence.

SEC. II. No church shall be admitted a member of this Convention, which does not by its charter or articles of association expressly recognize and accede to the constitution and canons; the doctrine of the church as set forth in her articles, and the discipline and worship of the church, as set forth in the Liturgy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; and to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese.

SEC. III. Each regularly established Protestant Episcopal church in this diocese, now a member, or which shall hereafter be admitted a member of the Convention, may send to the Convention lay deputy, provided that no person shall be competent to serve as a deputy, unless he has been a professing member and worshipper in the church he represents calendar months next before his election.

LEVI BULL.

Upon the Rev. Dr. Bull's motion, the Report of the Committee, as well as the Minority Report, were ordered to be printed, and the latter made the order of the day for to-morrow, along with the former.

Mr. James S. Smith presented the following:

CANON IX.

Of the Standing Committee, (page 28 of the edition of 1844.)

Strike out the first section, and substitute the following therefor.

Section First.—The Standing Committee shall consist of five of the clergy and five of the laity, who shall be chosen by the Convention, by ballot, by the concurrent vote of the members of each order. At the first meeting of the said committee after their election in the year the members shall be divided by lot into five classes; each class to consist of one clerical and one lay member. The seats of the members of the first class, shall be vacated at the expiration of the first year,—of the second class

at the expiration of the second year,—of the third class at the expiration of the third year,—of the fourth class at the expiration of the fourth year,—and of the fifth class at the expiration of the fifth year; so that after the year one fifth of the said committee may be chosen every year by the Convention.

Vacancies occurring by death or otherwise, in the said committee shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the remaining clerical and lay members of the committee;—the person elected by them to continue in office until the next stated Convention, and until another is chosen by the Convention for the unexpired time of the member whose seat had been filled by the Standing Committee.

And on his motion it was also ordered to be printed, and made the order for the same time with the Report upon the proposed amendments of the Constitution.

Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved the following addition to the end of the first section of the first of the Revised Regulations, viz: "and except the appointment of a Committee on Charters, and a committee on unfinished business," which was agreed to.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet further moved to rescind the *13th* Rule of Order, adopted on his motion yesterday, and to substitute therefore the following.

"13. These Revised Regulations and Rules of Order shall not, at any time, be suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor shall any of them be rescinded except upon one day's notice of an intention to move for their abolishment." Which was carried.

The Rev. Mr. Harris proposed the following, viz:

Resolved, That Canon III.; Sec. 2, of Canon V.; the last paragraph of 1st Sec., 6th, 7th, and 8th Sections of Canon VI; Canon VII. be repealed, as already found in substance in the general Canons of the Church.

And, on his motion, it was ordered to be printed, and made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The Rev. Mr. Leaf gave notice of his intention to move tomorrow to rescind the 8th of the Revised Regulations.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. WHARTON, *Secretary*.

5 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The calling of the roll was dispensed with, on motion.

The following Lay Deputies, not before present, appeared, presented their certificates, answered to their names and took their seats, viz: Alrichs, Bull, C. W. Harrison, B. F. Johnson, J. Johnson, Leonard, Aubrey H. Smith, Tucker, W. Welsh, and Wingate.

The minutes of the Morning Session were read and approved.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual Address, as follows:

ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity,

I desire to congratulate you that we are permitted to assemble once more in Annual Convention, and under circumstances so auspicious. During the last year, the land in which we dwell has been visited most richly with the favours of a bountiful and protecting Providence. While famine and pestilence have been scourging some parts of the world, and while in others the very foundations of civil society have been convulsed, our country has been exempted from these sore trials; and we may well bless God that privileges towards which multitudes in other lands are struggling—perhaps in some instances with rash and suicidal haste,—were long since made ours, through the smiles of Heaven on the wisdom and virtue of our fathers.

Never can we be too thankful that we are able to offer a share in such a heritage as we possess, to the toiling and suffering poor of distant nations; and fervently should our prayers ascend, that we may not be found unworthy at such an eventful crisis in the world's history, of the signal blessings we enjoy; that we may be enabled to set before the nations a bright example of justice, moderation, and piety; and that the mighty revolutions now abroad on the earth, may not, in their progress, be stained by blood and violence, nor in their issue, be other than friendly to the interests of Christianity, and to the greatest happiness of the greatest number of mankind.

As members of the Church of Christ in this Diocese, we have deep reason to be grateful for most of the events of the past year. But one of the clergy of the Diocese has been, during that period, taken from us by death: and he (the Rev. T. C. Breintnall,) was not at the time of his decease a resident of this State, nor had he been for any long period a laborer within its bounds. As a native, however,

of this city, and a missionary for a short time in the interior of the state, he was generally known and beloved among us; and his departure in the meridian of his days, may well admonish us of the extreme uncertainty of life, and of the solemn obligation which rests upon us of being ever ready to answer for our stewardship.*

And the same Being whose kind providence has thus shielded the lives of the clergy, has not withheld, we trust, the gracious influences of His Spirit from the people of their charge. In some parts of the Diocese, there has been an evident increase of zeal and activity. A generous interest in the extension of the Gospel, has led to the erection of several new churches, with special reference to the wants of our more destitute population: and funds for the purpose have been supplied with a promptitude and liberality worthy of all praise. A corresponding spirit has been manifested in providing the stated administration of the means of grace within these parishes, as well as in contributing to the necessities of many, which though elder, are still feeble.

Among these gratifying tokens of zeal for Christ, and of love for souls with which we have been favored during the last year, I would mention especially the sum of four hundred dollars contributed by an unknown hand—one that would be seen by Him only, who is the searcher of hearts,—with directions that it be applied to the relief of missionaries, in this and other Dioceses, who are laboring under circumstances of peculiar trial and privation. The appropriation has been made in conformity with the directions given; and I desire to record my grateful sense of this instance of unostentatious liberality, not only in duty to the pious doner, but in the fond hope that an example so worthy of imitation may be followed.

Since the last Convention I have been obliged to be absent from my duties within the Diocese for the space of three months. Nearly one month was spent in attending the deliberations of the General Convention which met in the city of New York, in October last: more than a month was employed at the request of the Standing Committee of New York, in performing Episcopal duties within their jurisdiction; and another month has been passed at Boston, in fulfilling an engagement to which I referred in my last address. The remainder of the year has been devoted to active labors in different parts of this Diocese; of which I shall give on this occasion but a summary.

Of the whole number of parishes in the Diocese, being about one hundred and twenty, I have officiated in about *one hundred*. I have also held services in the following places, at which there were no

parishes in union with this Convention, viz., Morgan's Corners, (Delaware co.;) Waterstreet, (Huntingdon co.;) Brown's Mills and Lock's Mills, (Mifflin co.;) Tunkhannock, (Wyoming co.;) Great Bend, (Susquehanna co.;) Tioga Village, (Tioga co.;) Coudersport, (Potter co.;) Smethport, (McKean co.;) Warren, (Warren co.;) Greenville, (Mercer co.;) Columbia, (Lancaster co.;) Summit, (Carbon co.,) and Tuscarora, (Schuylkill co.,) making in all one hundred and fourteen points at which I have officiated. In some cases these visits were made without the requisite canonical notice, and confirmations, of course, were not to be expected. During this period I have preached on one hundred and sixty-five different occasions, addressed the candidates whenever confirmation was administered, catechised and addressed the children in many of the parishes, baptized thirteen infants, solemnized seven marriages, attended several funerals, and administered the communion to one sick person in private. I have administered confirmation on *five* different occasions in private to persons who were sick, and have held confirmations in public on *seventy-two occasions*.

I have also *ordained eighteen clergymen, consecrated four churches*, laid the *corner stones of four churches*, officiated at the reopening of two churches which have been materially enlarged and improved, admitted *eight candidates* for orders, *received* from other Dioceses *twelve clergymen*, and *dismissed fourteen*.

The CONFIRMATIONS, embracing in all six hundred and six persons, have been as follows:—

1847, May 23d, St. James', Kingsessing, 3; May 23d, Church of the Redemption, 13; May 30th, St. James', Philadelphia, 5; June 6th, St. James', Perkiomen, 6; June 11th, Penn Township, in private, 1; June 20th, St. David's, Radnor, 4; July 2d, St. John's, Huntingdon, 6; July 4th, St. Mark's, Lewistown, 5; July 7th, St. Johns', Belfont, 5; July 8th, St. John's, Bellefonte, 1; July 11th, St. James', Schuylkill Haven, 3; July 14th, St. John's, Salem, 3; July 15th, Grace, Honesdale, 3; July 15th, Trinity, Carbondale, 3; July 16th, St. Mark's, New Milford, 4; July 18th, St. Paul's, Montrose, 6; July 18th, St. Andrew's, Springville, 8; July 22d, Athens, 8; Aug. 15th, St. Paul's, Wellsboro, 12; Aug. 17th, Smethport, 1; Aug. 22d, St. Paul's, Erie, 7; Aug. 23d, Christ's Church, Meadville, 22 in public, 2 in private, total 24; Aug. 25th, St. Peter's, Butler, 1; Aug. 27th, St. Paul's, Kittanning, 17; Aug. 28th, Trinity, Freeport, 6;

Aug. 31st; Trinity, Connelsville, 10; Sept. 1st, St. Peter's, Uniontown, 7; Sept. 2d, Christ's, Brownsville, 2; Sept. 5th, Calvary Church, Philadelphia, 3; Sept. 5th, Church of the Crucifixion, 5; Sept. 8th, one sick person in private; Sept. 17th, Christ Church, Philadelphia, 1; Sept. 19th, St. James the Less, Schuylkill Falls, 1; Sept. 30th, one sick person in private; Oct. 1st, St. Peter's, Philadelphia, 2; Oct. 3d, St. Peter's, Phœnixville, 5; Nov. 10th, one sick person in private; Dec. 6th, one sick person in private; Dec. 8th, Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, 3.

1848, Jan. 30th, Christ Church, Reading, 5; Feb. 15th, All Saints', Moyamensing, 15, and one in private,—16; March 5th, Church of the Ascension, 10, and 2 not of the parish,—12; March 6th, St. Mary's, West Philadelphia, 3; March 8th, Gloria Dei, 10, and one in private,—11; March 9th, St. James', Downingtown, 3; March 10th, Christ Church, Leacock, 6; March 11th, All Saints', Paradise, 6; March 12th, St. James', Lancaster, 12; March 15th, Christ's Church, Adams co., 3; March 16th, St. John's, York, 13; March 19th, St. James the Less, Schuylkill Falls, 16; March 19th, St. Luke's, Germantown, 22; March 26th, Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden, 12; March 26th, Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, 11; April 4th, Emmanuel Church, Kensington, 15; April 5th, St. James', Philadelphia, 11, being the second confirmation within the year; April 5th, St. Paul's, Philadelphia, 13; April 18th, St. Thomas', Philadelphia, 10; April 19th, St. John's, N. L., 4; April 20th, St. Philip's, Spring Garden, 24, and 2 not of the parish,—26; April 21st, Christ's Church, Philadelphia, 15; April 21st, Grace Church, Philadelphia, 12; April 22d, St. Peter's, Philadelphia, 23, and 4 not of the parish,—27; April 23d, Easter day, St. Luke's, Philadelphia, 15; April 23d, St. David's, Manayunk, 9; April 23d; Evg. Trinity, Southwark, 28; April 24th, St. James the Less, Bristol, 9; April 25th, St. Andrew's, Yardleyville, 2; April 27th, Trinity, Centreville, 1; April 28th, Trinity, Easton, 3; May 7th, St. Stephen's, Philadelphia, 17; May 7th, Church of the Evangelists, 2; May 12th, Church of the Epiphany, 3, being a second confirmation within the year; May 14th, A.M., St. Thomas', Whitemarsh, 7; P.M., Swede's Church, Upper Merion, 6; evg., St. John's Church, Norristown, 22.

The Ordinations have been as follows; to the *Diaconate* eight candidates have been admitted, viz: at St. James' Church, Philadel-

phia, on Sunday, June 27th, Mr. John W. Shackelford and Mr. Robert J. Parvin. The former has been officiating since his admission, in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and the latter has become Rector of Christ's Church, Towanda;—On Sunday, September 19th, at St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, Mr. Lester James, who was formerly a minister of the Methodist connection, and who has since taken a letter dimissory to the Diocese of Ohio;—On Thursday, October 28th, at St. Philip's Church in Spring Garden, Mr. Daniel S. Miller, who has been chosen rector of the newly organized parish of St. Jude in Spring Garden;—On Sunday, February 6th, at St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Mr. Benjamin J. Douglass, who is acting as deacon and assistant to the rector of that parish, and also as an instructor in the Protestant Episcopal Academy;—On Sunday, March 5th, at the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia, Mr. Richard S. Trapier, who has since been assisting the rector of that church;—and on Wednesday, April 5th, at St. James' Church, Philadelphia, Mr. Samuel Randall and Mr. Rees C. Evans. Mr. Evans has become the minister of the newly organized parish of Zion Church at Tuscarora and missionary in the adjacent districts.

It is proper to state further, that in the case of two of these deacons, Mr. Douglass and Mr. Trapier, the ordinary license to preach has been withheld. This course was adopted in conformity with the wishes of the candidates themselves, and as the result of deep conviction on my part, that the ultimate usefulness of our younger clergy will be materially promoted if they pass a large portion of their diaconate in the parishes and under the supervision of the elder clergy.

To the *Priesthood* the ordinations have been nine, as follows:

On Sunday, June 13th, at St. Mark's Church, Frankford, the Rev. Henry S. Spackman, deacon and minister of that church. On Sunday, June 27th, at St. James' Church, Philadelphia, the Rev. David H. Macurdy and the Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, who since have both removed from the diocese. On Thursday, July 22d, in a chapel at Athens, Bradford Co., the Rev. Barclay A. Smith, deacon and missionary in that place. Mr. S. has since resigned, and is now absent from the country. On Friday, November 12th, at Christ's Church, Philadelphia, the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, missionary in charge of the Bishop White Chapel in the Northern Liberties, and

the Rev. H. Hastings Weld, Rector of St. James' Church, Downingtown. On Sunday, February 20th, at St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, the Rev. George A. Durborow, rector and missionary of the new parish at Fairmount, and on this day in your presence, the Rev. Robert J. Parvin, minister of Christ Church, Towanda;—The Rev. Daniel S. Miller, rector elect of St. Jude's parish, Spring Garden, and the Rev. Wm. Clotworthy, missionary in Clearfield Co.

The CHURCHES CONSECRATED are as follows.

At Kittanning, Armstrong Co., on Friday the 27th of August, the new edifice erected by the congregation of St. Paul's Church, in place of one which was destroyed by a tornado two years previous; —In Moyamensing, on Thursday, January 27th, All Saints' Church; In Port Richmond, on Easter Monday, (April 26th,) the Church of the Messiah; and in Tuscarora, on Sunday, April 30th, Zion Church. The consecration of these churches has been attended by circumstances of unusual interest and of the happiest promise. In the first place *they have been free from debt.* No tax has been left to be discharged by posterity. No sanction has been given to the criminal practice of incurring pecuniary responsibilities, without a clear prospect of being able to meet and discharge them; and no hazard has been incurred, that places once set apart for the performance of religious offices shall be wrested from their sacred purpose by the violent though righteous hand of the law. And it is due to five other parishes which have completed church edifices within the last year, to state that not having discharged as yet all their liabilities, they have not asked that these edifices should be devoted to the exclusive possession and service of the Most High.

Thanks to this manly and Christian spirit. It is shared also by several of our older parishes which have long been pressed down by the incubus of debts, and which are now employed in strenuous efforts to disengage themselves. The Diocese is thus engaged in the two-fold work of erecting new churches, and of discharging the pecuniary obligations resting on old ones. The work though arduous is advancing with much spirit, and I look forward with confidence to a day not far distant when we can point to all the consecrated edifices of the Church in this Diocese—as free from the reproach of indebtedness.

Another characteristic of the churches built within the last year,

and one to which I would refer with much satisfaction, is *the simple and appropriate style of their architecture, and the moderate degree of expense at which they have been raised and finished.* In a country where population increases at such a fearful rate, where the capital which gives it employment is so limited, and where it is unspeakably important that the means of grace should multiply much more rapidly, I should deprecate as unfriendly alike to the extension and the simplicity of our faith, the growth of a taste which demanded gorgeous and magnificent structures for worship. More of graceful forms and convenient arrangements we may well desire; but they are by no means incompatible with simplicity and frugality. The church at Port Richmond for example, which has nearly 650 sittings, and was built at a cost of some $6000—deserves to be studied as a model of simple elegance; and the achievement of such a building at an expense so limited, reflects the highest credit as well on those who planned and superintended it, as on those whose generous contributions supplied the means. Long may this Diocese be known for her zeal and munificence in planting churches among the destitute, rather than for her prodigality in rearing splendid edifices, where art shall undertake to supersede the appropriate office of the pulpit and the desk,—and where piety shall be measured by the expensiveness of its solitary offerings, rather than by the diffusiveness of its unostentatious charities. At the same time I desire to do merited honor to the better taste in church architecture which is gaining ground among us, and which is raising some new and beautiful monuments of its frugality, as well as of its refinement.

A third characteristic of most of the churches which I have consecrated, and of several others now in progress, is that *they are offerings to the cause of missions.* The church at Tuscarora stands in the midst of the mining district in Schuylkill county, distant several miles from any other place of worship, and it has been built at the sole expense of a benevolent churchman in this city, for the benefit of the surrounding and increasing population. All Saints' Church, Moyamensing, is the fruit of an ardent desire, conceived years ago by a few of the members of our older churches, to establish a parish in that neglected District, and it has been erected almost exclusively by the contributions of the benevolent. The same is true of the Church of the Messiah at Port Richmond—of the Church of the Redemption at Fairmount, which is not yet finished, and to a considerable though less

degree of the churches at Minersville and Doylestown, which though finished, are not yet consecrated. The new and noble building which has been raised by the parish at Pottsville, is likewise, under God, the result of a purpose long cherished and devotedly followed up, of opening accommodations for the foreign labourers, who are crowding into that town and its vicinity. In addition to liberal subscriptions among the members of the congregation, considerable sums have been given from abroad, and these have been devoted to the purchase of pews, which are always to remain free. It deserves to be noticed as an arrangement peculiarly worthy of imitation, that these pews instead of being located together in the remotest and least attractive part of the building, where their occupants would feel more sensibly their dependence on charity, and be in the same proportion more exposed to the invidious remarks of others, are distributed through every part of the building. This arrangement must contribute as well to the orderly and edifying administration of the services, as to the promotion of a healthy feeling of Christian brotherhood.

In concluding my notice of church building in the diocese, I ought not to omit the enlargement of the churches at Reading and Erie, as enterprises which reflect great credit on the liberality of the respective congregations.

The interior of the church at Reading is worthy of all commendation, as a specimen of chaste and beautiful workmanship.

Five Corner-stones of churches, have been laid within the year, with appropriate solemnities, viz: by myself, at Port Richmond, on Monday, June 28th; at Pottsville, on Sunday afternoon, July 11th; at Salem, Wayne county, on Wednesday afternoon, July 14th; in Philadelphia, for the new parish of St. Mark's, on Easter Tuesday, April 25th; and, also, one by the Rev. Mr. Natt, at Northumberland, in October last, during a meeting of the Convocation of Northern and Central Pennsylvania. Each of these buildings, with the exception of that at Pottsville, is to be in districts where we have had, as yet, no church edifice.

In addition to these evidences of church extension, I would add, several new fields for missionary labor have been occupied within year. The Rev. Mr. Smith, who has been disabled for two years from discharging clerical duty, finding his health partially restored

during the last summer, established himself by my advice and consent at Greenville, Mercer co., and has been officiating for the last nine months between that place and Newcastle, in Butler county. Both these are rising villages, situated on the Erie Extension Canal, and in the midst of a thriving and beautiful country.

The Rev. Wm. Clotworthy, from the diocese of Ohio, has been acting as missionary in Clearfield co., and its vicinity, holding stated services at the village of Clearfield, at Phillipsburg, at Morrisdale, and at Curwensville. The Rev. S. T. Carpenter has become a missionary in the eastern part of Lancaster co., and is to derive his support from the liberality of a benevolent lady in that vicinity. The Rev. Dr. Vaughan has taken temporary charge of a mission, established, some time since, in the south-western part of this city, which seems to promise much good. The Rev. E. C. Jones is officiating in Southwark, with a view to the revival of the Church of the Messiah, in that district. The Rev. Danl. S. Miller has held services during the winter in a hall in Spring Garden, and has organized a parish, which is now engaged in the erection of a church; and, lastly, the Churchmen's Missionary Society for Seamen, of the port of Philadelphia, an association recently formed by a band of devoted young men, are fast gathering means for the erection of a floating chapel, for the use of mariners.

I point to these facts as cheering proof that there is abroad among us a noble spirit of zeal for the advancement of the Saviour's kingdom. Would that I could point to corresponding evidences of increase in the ranks and efficiency of our laboring clergy. But on this point the facts are less encouraging.

The number of *clergymen dismissed* from the diocese, during the last year, has been considerably greater than in former years; the *number received* has not increased in the same proportion; while the number of young men *admitted as candidates for orders*, remains stationary.

Letters of Dismission, have been given in behalf of the Rev. Saml. Durborow, to the diocese of Maine; in behalf of the Rev. Chas. D. Cooper, the Rev. Breed Batcheller, and the Rev. David H. Macurdy, to the diocese of Western New York; in behalf of the Rev. Colley A. Foster, and the Rev. Robt. B. Claxton, to the diocese of Indiana; in behalf of the Rev. Lester James, the Rev. John J.

McElhinney, and the Rev. Joseph Addicly, to the Diocese of Ohio; in behalf of the Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, and the Rev. Saml. Moorehouse, to the diocese of New York; in behalf of the Rev. Richard Graham, to the diocese of South-Carolina; of the Rev. Wm. H. Woodward, to the diocese of Michigan; and of the Rev. Saml. C. Brincklé, to the diocese of Delaware—in all fourteen.

Letters of Dismission, have been accepted from Bishop Chase, of Illinois, in behalf of the Rev. B. Hutchins; from Bishop Boone, in behalf of the Rev. Richard Graham; from Bishop Meade, in behalf of the Rev. Charles West Thompson; from Bishop McIlvaine, in behalf of the Rev. Jas. A. Woodward, and the Rev. Wm. Clotworthy; from Bishop Lee, in behalf of the Rev. John A. Childs; from the Standing Committee of New York, in behalf of the Rev. Herman Hooker, the Rev. Kingston Goddard, and the Rev. C. B. Wyatt; and from Bishop Eastburn, in behalf of the Rev. Saml. A. Clark, the Rev. T. S. Carpenter, and the Rev. Geo. D. Miles.

Three clergymen of this Diocese, have, at their own request, been *displaced from the ministry*, during the year just passed, for causes not affecting their moral character, viz: the Rev. Marcus R. Cushman, displaced at Erie, Aug. 21st, 1847, in presence of the Rev. Drs. Carmichael and Mitchell, and the Rev. Messrs. Wm. Flint and R. Smith; the Rev. George Allen, displaced in Philadelphia, Nov. 25, in presence of the Rev. Dr. Dorr and the Rev. Joseph H. Smith; and the Rev. Oliver A. Shaw, displaced Dec. 4th, in presence of the Rev. Herman Hooker and the Rev. Marmaduke Dillon.

The present *number of* candidates for orders, in this diocese, is twenty-five, of whom eight have been received within the last year, viz.: Richard B. Duane, admitted May 4th, 1847; Nathan B. Merrill, transferred from the diocese of Connecticut, June 1st, 1847; John Fury, admitted June 5th, 1847; George L. Neide, admitted June 5th, 1847; Samuel Clements, admitted July 5th, 1847; Robert T. Roach, admitted November 2d, 1847; Rees C. Evans, admitted October 4th, 1847; Joseph T. Elsegood, admitted April 2d, 1848.

The following churches have become vacant during the year, by the resignation of their rectors, viz.: Christ's Church, Towanda,

-ignation of the Rev. A. S. Collet, who has become rector
ıtthew's, Pike, and who has been succeeded at Towanda,
·v. R. J. Parvin; St. Paul's, West Whiteland, and St. Pe-
ıt Valley, by the resignation of the Rev. Wm. H. Wood-
› has been succeeded by the Rev. Wm. L. Suddards,
·f Churchtown, where he has been succeeded by the Rev.
St. Mary's, Warwick, by the resignation of Dr. Ball, who
ıcceeded by the Rev. Enos Woodward, the Rev. Jas. A.
ı, his son, having become his assistant at St. Mark's,
›k; Calvary Church, Rockdale, by the resignation of the
·. Huntington, who has been succeeded by the Rev. Chas.
›mpson, from the diocese of Virginia; St. Stephen's, Wilks-
the resignation of the Rev. Chas. D. Cooper, who is suc-
the Rev. Geo. D. Miles, from the diocese of Massachusetts;
·', Muncy, by the resignation of the Rev. C. A. Foster,
been succeeded by the Rev. J. G. Downing, from the dio-
·irginia; Advent Church, N. L., by the resignation of the
J. Kerr, who has been succeeded by the Rev. Samuel A.
from the diocese of Massachusetts; St. James the Less,
-lkill Falls, by the resignation of the Rev. David H. Macurdy,
has been succeeded by the Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt, from
iocese of New York; St. James', Kingsessing, by the resig-
of the Rev. Saml. C. Brinckle; and Grace Church, Hones-
, by the resignation of the Rev. Owen Evans Shannon.

It will thus be seen that the ranks of the laboring clergy, in this
hocese, do not increase even in proportion to the increase of our
hurches, much less in proportion to the new calls which are made
for our services; while the disproportion between the growth in the
number of our clergy, and the advance of population in our common-
wealth, is truly distressing. Let not our faithful and fervent prayers
be wanting, brethren, nor our corresponding judicious efforts, that the
list of our candidates, now much reduced, may be soon swelled by
the addition of young men of talent, piety, and devoted zeal. What
we greatly need are laboring clergymen, who are patient, self-deny-
ing, and indomitable—men who can endure hardness, even though it
take the form of apparent neglect or indifference—who, in meekness,
and with all industry and prudence, will adapt themselves to the peu-
liar emergencies of the various posts at which they may be called to-

labor, and whose faith in the ultimate triumph of their mission can outlive even a long period of privation and apparent uselessness. Such men never labor in vain; and unfriendly as the soil of interior Pennsylvania may seem to the establishment or extension of our principles, there are fields in every part of it already white unto the harvest. But they who would reap these harvests must needs count the cost. For a time, some of them must consent to forego the comforts of a married life; they must be satisfied to live as the mass of those to whom they minister live; and, sowing in hope, they must never distrust the pledge, that God's word, when it goes forth in its integrity and simplicity, cannot return unto Him void, but must prosper in the thing whereunto He sends it. Its triumphs may be reserved till his eyes who proclaimed it are sealed in death; but none the less glorious and memorable shall be his reward. *In due time we shall reap if we faint not.*

When I observe with what skill and ardor, at what hazards often to health and life, and with what deliberate and even prodigal sacrifice of present ease and enjoyment, the children of the world devote themselves to the pursuit of that which must perish in the using, I cannot but fear that they are wiser in their generation than many of us who profess to be children of light. A like zeal, a like vigilant wisdom and forecast, with the same irrepressible, self-sacrificing energy, would soon enable us to carry our faith in triumph over many obstacles, before which we are now too apt to stand appalled, or from which we turn away in dismay.

But whilst I insist upon the necessity of increased devotion on the part of the clergy, I would not forget that they who preach the gospel have a right to live of the gospel. It is a melancholy fact, that some of the most useful clergymen who have left us during the past year, have been constrained to do so by the entire inadequacy of their means of subsistence. I have much fear that we are destined to suffer still severer losses from the same cause. With these facts forced upon me as I travel over the Diocese, and having myself tried in vain for months, and even in one or two instances for more than two years, to supply some vacant parishes with ministerial services, because I have been unable to hold out to men with families, the prospect of adequate support,—I conceive that I should be wanting in my duty if I did not entreat the renewed attention of the laity to this subject. Where the standard of compensation is highest, there we must expect that talent and efficiency will be carried; and we cannot allow other dioceses to

excel us in this respect without being in danger of suffering a constant drain upon our best and most cherished resources. I well know that in some of our parishes, even with every effort which liberality could make, the salary would be meagre unless increased from without; but how rarely has liberality done its utmost. In how many cases are the claims of the gospel, the interests of the soul, postponed, till all the demands of taste and even caprice are gratified, and then a fraction of the poor remains bestowed, perhaps with a grudging hand, on a stinted pastor. Can we wonder if the dews of the Divine Spirit are withheld from such hearts and such congregations? Zaccheus could give half his goods to feed the poor. Under the Mosaic dispensation the divine law could wring with inexorable hand from every Jew, more than two-tenths of all his income for pious and charitable uses. God has been pleased to lay on Christians no law for giving but the law of love and of a cheerful heart; but what a reproach must rest upon them, if they abuse this indulgence to the injury of the poor, or to the withholding from the ministers of the sanctuary, of their rightful portion.

Connected with the support of the clergy, I would mention two or three measures which may have, if adopted, a most happy effect. The first is *the erection of parsonages*. In cities and large towns they are less necessary; but in the country they are all but indispensable. The difficulty of renting houses in convenient situations, the uncertainty whether they can be retained, their want of fitness to a clergyman's peculiar wants and resources, the additional expense which they entail, are evils which can hardly be appreciated, except by experience; and they prove in many cases, I am sure, the immediate reason why parishes are relinquished. If congregations would have their ministers acquire a *home* feeling among them, they should see to it that they have a *home*,—a permanent and comfortable one, at a convenient distance from the parish church, and that this home is kept in good repair. Let me add that a *Rector's library* ought, and I trust in time will come, to be considered as a necessary appendage to every parsonage and every parish. We need an enlightened and well furnished ministry; but we cannot hope to have it, unless the clergy have access to good libraries, and this access can never be enjoyed by many of them if these libraries are to be furnished exclusively at their own expense. For a parish to gather such a library, requires but a beginning, a little steady and persevering attention, and

the contribution through a course of years, of sums which though very small when divided among the members of a congregation, would be wholly beyond the reach of most individual pastors.

Another measure would, if adopted, do much I think to lighten the burdens of the clergy. I allude to *some provision by the Church for the education of their children.* We have now several admirable schools, both male and female, connected with the church in this diocese; and their advantages ought to be especially accessible to the children of those clergymen whose means are straitened, who live remote from schools of a superior character, and whose children must soon enter on life, with no resources but their talents and their worth. I would mention that partial provision for the sons of the clergy, are already made at the Protestant Episcopal Academy in this city, and also through the generosity of its Principal, Mr. Eblmar, at the Diocesan School in West Chester. These provisions need to be enlarged and made permanent; but what we need now still more, is a corresponding provision for educating the *daughters* of the clergy. Arrangements have been made at the Retreat near Germantown, and also at the schools at Aston Ridge and West Chester, for admitting at reduced rates those whose fathers receive inadequate salaries, or who are orphans. Through the generosity of a few individuals whose pleasure is to do good as they have opportunity, I have already received means sufficient to place five or six young ladies at these schools, and I pray God to put it in the hearts of those who have the ability, to enable me to enlarge the number.

The SCHOOLS connected with the Church in this Diocese are all doing well. The Academy in this city, under the care of the Rev. Dr. Hare, has had a career, thus far, of great and uninterrupted prosperity; and it is exerting an influence on the principles and character of our children which will be felt for good long after our own earthly course has terminated. It now numbers nearly one hundred pupils. The chaplaincy in the school for boys at West Chester has become vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Claxton, but will soon be filled; in the mean time the duties of that office are diligently discharged by the Rev. Mr. Clemson. The female school, known as the Retreat in School House Lane, near Germantown, has been signally favored not only by the smiles of Divine Providence, but also with the influence of the Divine Spirit. Considerably more than a third of all the

resident or boarding pupils have within the last two months been confirmed, and have also become communicants, under circumstances which have inspired me with the most lively hopes in respect to their future character and influence as Christian women. The order and spirit prevailing throughout the school have been excellent: the discipline is quiet, effective, and eminently domestic: the position of the buildings and grounds is alike beautiful and healthy, and the patronage bestowed upon it most encouraging. The school at Aston Ridge, under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Huntington, has also been much favored, and as the number of pupils received is limited, the situation attractive, and the instruction superior, this seminary has advantages peculiar to itself. The same is true of the school of Miss Evans, at West Chester, which has recently been removed to a large and commodious mansion, and which bestows upon its pupils the blessings of thorough intellectual, moral and religious culture, with the comforts of a happy home, at rates so moderate as to bring its advantages within the reach of many who cannot patronize our more expensive schools.

I have for some time been impressed with the conviction that a *Female Academy in this city*, sustaining to the Church the same relation, and constituted on the same principles as the Protestant Episcopal Academy for boys, would be a great blessing. The time for establishing such a seminary seems to have arrived, and having conferred with my Council of Advice on the subject, I have, with their approval and sanction, taken the preliminary steps for the purpose. Trustees have been appointed, and the Rev. Dr. Vaughan has been selected as Principal. A pleasant and convenient house has been taken on the west side of Penn Square, and the institution will be opened for the admission of pupils on the 1st of September next. It is proposed to organize and conduct the school so that its moral and religious influence shall be active and benign, and its means of intellectual culture unsurpassed. Special attention will also be paid to the health of the pupils. Having long known the Rev. Principal, and having had, in common with several members of this Convention, an opportunity of observing the powerful and salutary influence which he exerted in winning the affections and moulding the character of his pupils, (while he acted as Principal) at the Institution for the Blind in this city, I have every confidence that his labors in this new field will be appreciated and sustained.

It is proposed to make the charges of a tuition such, that the influence and instruction of this seminary can be shared by a large proportion of our people.

I desire to record, again, my grateful sense of the important aid which is rendered to the Church in this Diocese by the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, by the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, by the Female Prayer Book Society, the Episcopal Tract Society, and the Parish Library Association.

The number of missionaries now employed by the Advancement Society, is twenty. Their names and places of officiating are as follows:

Rev. Wm. Adderly, New Brighton, &c., Beaver county.
Rev. Charles Breck, Wellsborough, Tioga county.
Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Alleghany.
Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Whitemarsh.
Rev. J. G. Downing, Muncy, and parts adjacent.
Rev. G. C. Drake, Schuylkill Haven, and parts adjacent.
Rev. G. A. Durborow, Fairmount.
Rev. G. C. Field, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county.
Rev. W. Hilton, Kittanning, Freeport, &c.
Rev. G. P. Hopkins, Doylestown.
Rev. N. M. Jones, Uniontown, Fayette county.
Rev. John Long, New Milford and Montrose.
Rev. E. Mendenhall, Salem, Wayne county.
Rev. T. H. Michell, Waterford, Erie county.
Rev. B. W. Morris, Sunbury, Northumberland county.
Rev. G. W. Natt, Bellefonte.
Rev. P. Russell, Mauch Chunk.
Rev. T. A. Starkey, Mining region adjacent to Pottsville.
Rev. Wm. White, Butler.
Rev. J. P. Nash, Phœnixville.

To these should be added, as missionaries under the direction of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, but not deriving aid from the Advancement Society, the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, of the Calvary Church mission, Northern Liberties; the Rev. Thomas G. Allen, city missionary, (Philadelphia); the Rev. Richard Smith, missionary in Mercer county; the Rev. T. S. Carpenter, Lancaster county.

I mentioned in my last address, that CONVOCATIONS of the clergy had been assembled at two or three points in the diocese, at the time of my visitation; that they were likely to become a permanent element in our system of operations, and that, in my opinion, they would prove, if properly conducted, powerful instruments of improvement to the clergy, and of blessing to their people, while they might be made subservient in a high degree, to the extension of the church. I would now state that I have met with four convocations during the year: one at Bellefont, in July; one at Erie, in August; one at Uniontown, about the 1st of September; and one at Morgantown, about the middle of the same month. My convictions in regard to their value and efficiency, are strengthened. At the meeting, in July, of the convocation of Northern and Central Pennsylvania, a permanent organization was adopted, on principles which will be found in a note to this address,* and the members comprising it have continued to meet quarterly, ever since, with encouraging results.

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* RULES OF THE CONVOCATION OF NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA.

1st. This Convocation shall be composed of the Clergy of Bradford, Sullivan, Tioga, Lycoming, Columbia, Northumberland, Union, Clinton, Centre, Mifflin, and Huntingdon counties, canonically resident in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

2d. This Convocation shall meet four times in each year, as follows, on the evenings of the third Tuesday of January, April, July and October.

3d. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be president, ex-officio. In his absence, the presbyter who has been longest resident within the bounds of the Convocation, he being an attending member of the same, shall preside.

4th. A Secretary and Treasurer shall be appointed in January, for one year.

5th. At each meeting, a Preacher and Alternate shall be selected by the Bishop, when present, and in his absence by the Convocation, to deliver the opening sermon of the next Convocation. In case of their failure, the President shall appoint a substitute; it being their duty to give the resident President as early notice as possible of their inability to discharge the trust assigned them.

6th. The Convocation shall determine the place and time of each suc-

I have thus noticed the most important events which have transpired during the past year within this diocese; as well as various considerations of a general nature which bear upon its present condition and future welfare. We have a vast work on hand, and God alone can bestow upon us the ability to meet its demands, with the

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cessive regular meeting. The Bishop or Convocation may appoint special meetings.

7th. The Rector of the Parish in which the Convocation meets, shall, with the advice and consent of the Bishop, determine the number of exercises, and appoint the Clergymen who are to officiate, except when provision shall have been otherwise made by the Convocation; and on all occasions, the services shall be conducted in conformity with the Canons and Liturgy of the Church.

8th. The Holy Communion shall be administered on the Wednesday of each regular meeting.

9th. No member of the Convocation shall be at liberty to leave the Convocation without permission.

10th. At every meeting of the Convocation, there shall be a special service for the children of the Parish, and another for the benefit of Missions.

11th. The resident President shall give notice of all special meetings and act as the organ of communication with the Bishop; making after each meeting a report to him of the proceedings of the Convocation.

12th. The Rector of the Parish in which the Convocation meets may invite any Clergymen to be present at its meetings.

13th. The continuance of this Convocation shall be at the discretion of the Bishop.

14th. Any Clergyman four times absent without excuse, shall cease to be regarded as a member of the Convocation.

15th. Any number present shall constitute a quorum.

16th. These rules shall not be changed, except by a vote of the majority of the members of the Convocation, and with the consent of the Bishop; and changes shall be proposed in writing at one regular meeting of the Convocation, and acted upon at the next, all absent members having been informed that changes had been proposed.

Adopted at the meeting of the Convocation held in the parish of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre co. July 7th, 1847.

requisite wisdom, liberality, devotion, and zeal. We have to sustain, enlarge, and improve our older parishes, making them more fruitful of good to their respective pastors and people, and more instrumental in extending blessings to mankind. We have to render many of our newer parishes self-supporting, transforming their dependence on aid from without into the ability and disposition to give effective assistance to others.

We have to plant our church in twenty-five counties of Pennsylvania, where as yet it has neither minister nor sacred edifice. We have to meet the difficulties which result from the fact, that in most of the remaining counties of this commonwealth, our ministrations have been introduced but of late years, and are surrounded by a population that receives little augmentation from without, and that is disinclined, alike by habit and by education, from seeking or accepting our services.

We have, moreover, to fulfil a great and solemn duty, created by the rapidity with which large numbers of people, many of them from our father-land, and children of our mother church, settle in districts where mines are opening, where hitherto all has been wilderness, and where, unless aided by us, they may remain for years without the means of grace. In a large proportion of the territory embraced

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1st. At each quarterly meeting, two sermons shall be read by members taken in alphabetical order; the topics or texts to be assigned by the President.

2d. Four skeletons of sermons shall be presented by members taken in alphabetical order; topics or texts to be assigned by the members of the Convocation.

3d. Sermons and skeletons to be criticised by the members of the Convocation.

4th. Written questions in Casuistry and practical Theology.

5th. Reports of cases of interest in the history of our parochial labors.

6th. In sermons or skeletons all topics calculated to introduce controversy to be carefully avoided.

7th. Mutual suggestions with regard to reading the Liturgy.

Resolved, That a member be appointed in alphabetical order, semi-annually, to prepare a report on the propagation of the gospel throughout the world.

within this diocese, our order and institutions are scarcely more known than in the new states of the west, and the obstacles with which they are called to contend are even greater and more intractable.

Let not our charities be bounded, however, by the limits of our own territory. Throughout the length and breadth of this vast and rising republic, which is receiving each year its hundreds of thousands of immigrants, from all parts of the world; to which elder nations are looking with inconceivable solicitude; which seems to have been raised up by Providence expressly to show whether Christianity can be sustained by the free-will offerings, the spontaneous patronage of God's people,—in this land there are calls for help which ought not to remain unheeded; while the new and multiplied relations which are fast binding Pagan and Mahommedan countries to those which profess the faith of Christ, summon us at this time to renewed interest and effort in behalf of those foreign missions which contemplate the ultimate triumph of our religion over every form of idolatry and error. I ought not to omit the fact that of five candidates for orders belonging to this diocese, who will be ordained within the next three months, two, if not three, have determined to devote themselves to the service of the mission on the western coast of Africa. While I have yielded with deep reluctance, to the withdrawal of these excellent young men from our more immediate field of labor, I feel grateful to God that He has thus enabled this diocese to make so noble an offering to this enterprise; an enterprise which may possibly need revision and alteration in its policy, but which, in its aims, is one of the most beneficent, and, in its obligations, one of the most imperative, ever undertaken by our church. I cannot but express my sincere hope, that with this important addition to the moral and ministerial force of the mission, there may be a corresponding increase in its pecuniary resources.

And now, to meet these claims upon our zeal and liberality—what means do we possess? Not much more than half—certainly not so many as two-thirds of the congregations in this Diocese, are self-supporting. Of the remainder many are feeble. But still we have enough. God delights to employ instruments which in proportion as they are insufficient on natural principles, are the more disposed to seek His aid, and thus to clothe themselves with a power which is resistless, because Divine. There is no obstacle which in His good time, will not yield before the prayers and pains of his faithful people. Let the simple and comfortable Gospel of Christ be truly preached.

Let the discipline of our churches in respect to immoral and dissipated communicants be administered with judicious but inflexible integrity.* Let the high and solemn obligations which rest on those who profess to follow Christ, be clearly set forth by their Pastors—both by word and good example. Let the duty and privilege of consecrating property, time and talent to the spread of the Gospel, and the relief of human suffering be earnestly and diligently inculcated. And above all, let prayer be made of the whole Church without ceasing, that God will be pleased to pour into all our hearts that most excellent gift—the gift of charity—that at the same time He will be pleased to open the hearts of those who hear us, and of all for whose benefit we labor, that they may receive the truth as it is in Jesus, taking from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of His word, and so bringing them home to His flock, that they may be saved with the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. If such be our course we need not fear, but God will go with us as he went with his people of old—a pillar of cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night. Trials we may have—they shall prove our helpers. Disappointments may sadden us—they shall urge us to more humility, and therefore to more prayer. But our young men shall offer themselves willingly to the help of

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* House of Bishops, May 27, 1817.

Resolved, That the following be entered on the Journal of this House, and be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be read therein:

"The House of Bishops, solicitous for the preservation of the purity of the Church and the piety of its members, are induced to impress upon the Clergy the important duty, with a discreet but earnest zeal of warning the people of their worldly cures, of the danger of an indulgence in those worldly pleasures, which may tend to withdraw the affections from spiritual things. And especially on the subject of gaming, of amusements, involving cruelty to the brute creation, and of theatrical representation, to which some peculiar circumstances have called their attention. They do not hesitate to express their unanimous opinion that these amusements, as well from their licentious tendency, as from the strong temptations to vice which they afford, ought not to be frequented. And the Bishops cannot refrain from expressing their deep regret at the information, that in some of our large cities, so little respect is paid to the feelings of the members of the Church, that theatrical representations are fixed for the evenings of her most solemn festivals."

the Lord. Our people of every age shall recommend the faith they profess by the sanctity of their lives, while they carry it abroad by the diligence and zeal of their self-denying labors. To the honor of Christ and the extension of His Church, our widows shall cheerfully give their mites, our men of substance their silver and their fine gold; all shall bestow their prayers and efforts, and God shall bless us. Let the people praise Thee, O God. Yea, Let all the people praise Thee. Then shalt thou be merciful unto us, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Thy way shall be known upon the earth, God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing, and all the ends of the world shall fear Him.

ALONZO POTTER.

Philadelphia, May 17, 1848.

At the conclusion of his Address, the Bishop laid upon the table the following list of candidates for holy orders.

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, May 16th, 1848.

Robert Phipps—since February 7th, 1843.
Richard B. Tschudy—since October 1st, 1844.
Cadwallader C. Hoffman—since April 1st, 1845.
Jacob Rambo—since April 1st, 1845.
Archibald Beatty—since April 1st, 1845.
Joel Rudderow—since July 9th, 1845.
Francis C. Clements—since September 19th, 1845.
R. Ralston Cox—since September 29th, 1845.
Francis J. Warner—since November 4th, 1845.
Frederick S. Wileys—since December 2d, 1845.
John A. Merrick—since March 4th, 1846.
William B. Musgrave—since April 7th, 1846.
John T. Murphy—since June 8th, 1846.
Samuel Cox—since September 1st, 1846.
John Wade Nott—since September 1st, 1846.
John M. Goshorn—since February 2d, 1847.
George W. Brown—since March 2d, 1847.
Richard B. Duane—since May 4th, 1847.
Nathan B. Merrill—since August 10th, 1846.
John Furey—since June 5th, 1847.

George L. Neide—since June 5th, 1847.
Samuel Clements—since July 5th, 1847.
Robert T. Roach—since November 2d, 1847.
Joseph I. Elsegood—since April 2d, 1848.
Rees C. Evans—since October 4th, 1847.

Rev. Dr. Morton, from the Committee on the subject, presented the following report.

The Committee on the claims of clergymen to seats in this Convention, respectfully report:

That the claims of the Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D., have been laid before them. The Rev. Dr. Vaughan held his seat as a member of the Convention as Principal of the Institute for the Blind in this city. Having resigned that situation 15th November, 1847, on grounds other than those of old age, ill health or infirmity, they think his seat was forfeited, and that he is not now entitled to be enrolled among the members of this Convention.

H. J. Morton.
Wm. Flint.

The Rev. Mr. Howe, the other member of the Committee, made a statement of his reasons for not concurring in the report of that Committee. Whereupon Mr. Welsh moved, that the Rev. Dr. Vaughan be entitled to a seat in this Convention, which motion was carried, and thereupon his name being called by the secretary, the Rev. Dr. Vaughan answered and took his seat.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bull, it was Resolved, That it be recommended to each clergyman in the Diocese, to read the Annual Address of the Bishop delivered this day, to his congregation.

The Convention then proceeded to vote for members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. The Rev. Messrs. Natt, Fowles, Newton and Field, being appointed tellers, to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Messrs. L. Lewis, Jenks, Kirkham, and Ashurst, tellers to receive the votes of the Laity.

While the Tellers were engaged in counting the votes, the Rev. Dr. Morton, the President of the Standing Committee, laid upon the table the minutes of that Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Howe, the Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the following.

Phila., May 17th, 1848.

The Secretary of the Standing Committee lays upon the table of Convention, the accompanying Charters of

The Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia.

St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia.

St. Jude's Church, Spring Garden.

Church of the Holy Apostles, St. Clair, Schuylkill county.

Zion Church, Tuscarora.

St. Mark's Church, Northumberland.

And reports them as having been examined and approved by the Committee.

M. A. DeWolf Howe, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Secretary, the foregoing Charters were referred to the Committee on Charters.

The Rev. Mr. Howe presented and read the following:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, respectfully present to the Convention the following abstract of their proceedings during the past year. They organized on the first of June, by the election of the Rev. Dr. Morton as President, and the Rev. Mr. Howe as Secretary. In conformity with the practice of their predecessors in former years, they have held a stated meeting on the first Tuesday in each month. Besides their twelve regular meetings, they have had two adjourned and four special meetings.

On the 17th of September last, the Committee, in compliance with the request of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, gave their consent that the church be mortgaged for a sum not to exceed $700.

Three vacancies having occurred in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, the Standing Committee, on the 2d of November last, appointed the Hon. T. M. Pettit, Thomas Robins and John Welsh, Jr., Esqs., to be members of that Board.

By order of the Standing Committee, suitable Cases have been prepared at the Episcopal Academy for receiving the Journals and other Pamphlets belonging to the Convention of the Diocese, and the same have been carefully arranged therein.

At the request of the Bishop they appointed, on June 1st, twelve clerical assessors to consider the propriety of an act of

Ecclesiastical discipline in a neighboring parish, from which appeal had been made to the Ordinary.

During the year of their service, the Standing Committee have signed testimonials recommending the admission of seven individuals, to wit, Richard B. Duane, John Furey, George L. Neide, Reese C. Evans, Robert T. Roach, Joseph J. Elsegood and Samuel Clements, as candidates for Holy Orders.

They have also signed testimonials recommending the admission of seven individuals, to wit, Robert J. Parvin, Lester Janes, Reese C. Evans, Benj. S. Douglass, Richard S. Trapier, Daniel S. Miller and Samuel Randall to the Holy Order of Deacons.

They have also signed testimonials recommending ten individuals, to wit, the Revs. Barclay A. Smith, David H. McCurdy, Henry S. Spackman, Alex. G. Mercer, George A. Durborow, Joseph H. Smith, H. Hastings Weld, Thomas A. Starkie, Daniel S. Miller, Robt. J. Parvin and Wm. Clotworthy for admission to the Holy Order of Priests.

The Standing Committee have examined and approved the charters of the following newly incorporated churches, to wit, the Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia; St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia; St. Jude's Church, Spring Garden; the Church of the Holy Apostles, St. Clair, Schuylkill county; Zion Church, Tuscarora, and St. Mark's Church, Northumberland.

It is made the duty of the Standing Committee to report to the Convention any Church which has not within three years last past, made any parochial report, or had any missionary report made on its behalf, and which has neither employed a clergyman as its parish minister, nor requested of the Bishop to have the services of a missionary,—in conformity with this rule, the Committee now report—

Truth Church, Bethany, Wayne co.
St. Mark's Church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia co.
St. John's, Lawrenceville, Alleghany co.
Christ Church, Blossburgh, Tioga co.
St. Gabriel's Church, Sugar Loaf, Columbia co.

The Committee take leave to call attention to the fact, that Christ (Swede's) Church, Upper Merion, although reported in

the list of churches belonging to this Diocese, is not and has never been in union with this Convention.

M. A. De Wolfe Howe, Secretary.

Philadelphia, May 16th, 1848.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hare, the Secretary was authorized to purchase a suitable fire-proof chest for the purpose of preserving therein the MSS. of the Convention and Standing Committee.

The following communication was read:

To George M. Wharton, Esquire,

Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Penna.

Sir:—The Corporation for the relief of the Widows and Children of Clergymen in the Communion of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, of which I am the Treasurer, at their late annual meeting held on the 8th inst., passed the following Resolution:

"Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to prepare and report to the Convention of this Diocese a statement of the Yeates fund, and its annual income, with the objects of the Trust, for the information of that Body."

In obedience to that Resolution, I make the following report—

The Yeates Fund is a Trust Fund which was established by Miss Margaret Yeates and Miss Catharine Yeates of Lancaster in this Diocese. These ladies on the 23d day of June, 1835, and 7th of September, 1836, respectively, settled each the sum of one thousand dollars, the first upon Horace Binney, James S. Smith and Joseph R. Ingersoll, Esquires; the other upon James S. Smith and Joseph R. Ingersoll, Esquires, upon certain trusts, which are substantially as follows.—

In Trust to invest the said sums of money in debt of the United States, debt of the State of Pennsylvania or city of Philadelphia, or in such real securities as they shall think fit, and the said investments from time to time in part or in whole, to sell out, or call in; and reinvest in like manner, and the nett interest or income as the same shall be received to pay to such one or more aged Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, and in such sums or portions as shall from time to time be selected and directed by the Bishop of the said

Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, having the City of Lancaster in his Diocese, by and with the consent and approbation of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee for the time being; such Minister and Ministers to be resident at the time of such selection and direction, within the said Diocese, and to have at the time a parochial charge within the same, or who having had such a charge therein for the space of ten years, has or have been compelled to leave or give up the same by reason of age or bodily infirmity—and in case for any cause, such selection and direction shall not be made before the stated meeting of the Convention of the said Church in the Diocese aforesaid, in any year, then and in that case the interest remaining unappropriated in the hands of the said Trustees, shall be added to the capital and invested in manner aforesaid.

By an Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed March 7, 1837, the Trustees above named were authorized to transfer the fund to the corporation hereinbefore mentioned, and that corporation was duly authorized to execute the Trusts, and now holds the Trust Fund upon the Trusts hereinbefore specified.

The Fund has been invested exclusively in the Loan of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and at the present time consists of $3248.67 of the five per cent. Loan, and $372.67 of the six per cent. Loan of the Commonwealth, the nett annual income being about $175.53.

All which by order of the Corporation aforesaid is respectfully reported for the information of the Convention.

I am Sir, very resp'y yours,

HORACE BINNEY, JR.

Treasurer of the Corporation for relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen, &c.

Philadelphia, May 17, 1848.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Howe, it was declared by the Convention in conformity with the 4th article of the constitution, that the following churches embraced in the report of the Standing Committee submitted this afternoon, viz: Truth Church, Bethany, Wayne co., St. Mark's Church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia co., St. John's Church, Lawrenceville, Allegbany co., Christ Church, Blossburg, Tioga co., and St. Gabriel's Church,

Sugar Loaf, Columbia co.—shall no longer have a right to send a deputy or deputies to the Convention.

Mr. Thomas Robins presented the following report:

The Trustees of the Christmas fund respectfully report that they have received during the past year, $621,93, of which, $551,43 has been derived from collections and contributions; and $70,50 from interest on $1500, city of Philadelphia 5 per cent. stock, which still remains invested. There is in the Treasurer's hands a balance of $267,04.

Three Clergymen are now in receipt of aid from the fund, to the extent of $550,00 per annum, and an appropriation of $100,00 has been made to the widow of a Clergyman of the diocese, this being the first application for aid from that branch of the trust. The Trustees in their last annual report, made an earnest appeal to the Convention, to adopt such measures as would secure, if possible, general contributions to the fund. No measure was, however, proposed. The contributions during the past year, though slightly exceeding those of the previous one, have been received from only a small portion of the parishes in the diocese, and it will be observed also that the expenditures have been greater than the contributions. Under these circumstances, the Trustees feel constrained, respectfully to renew their request to the Convention, to adopt such measures as may be necessary to secure adequate support to the fund.

By order of the Trustees,

Wm. H. Newbold, Secretary.

Philadelphia, May 15, 1848.

Mr. Robins also presented the Reports of the Treasurer of the Christmas fund and Convention fund, duly audited. The report of the Treasurer of the Episcopal fund was also submitted, having been audited and approved. [For these Reports, see Appendix.]

Mr. Parry offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of 3 Clergymen and 3 Laymen be appointed to ascertain if possible, and report to the next Convention, the cause of the Clergy not receiving a larger compensation for their services.

The Rev. Dr. Upfold moved, as a substitute, that a Committee be appointed to devise a plan of increasing the compensation of

the country Clergy. The substitute was accepted by Mr. Parry, and the question being taken on its adoption, it was lost.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Coleman, the propriety of the admission into union at the last Convention of the Church of the Crucifixion, and any legal questions connected therewith, were referred to the Committee on Charters, to report thereon.

The Tellers being prepared to report, reported as follows:—

For the Standing Committee—

Of the Clergy, whole number of votes cast, - - - 76
Necessary to a choice, - - - - - - - 39

Of which,

Clerical Members,	received.	Lay Members,	received.
Rev. H. J. Morton, D. D.	46	Mr. G. M. Wharton, -	46
" J. C. Clay, D. D. -	47	Thos. Robins, - -	74
" G. E. Hare, D. D.	61	R. S. Smith, - -	41
" M. A. De W. Howe,	62	T. M. Pettit, - -	44
" J. Rodney, - -	39	John Welsh, jr., -	46
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.	8	W. M. Meredith, -	3
" B. Dorr, D. D. -	7	William Welsh, -	30
" W. L. Suddards, -	27	T. H. Powers, - -	28
" R. Newton, - -	30	Edward Olmstead, -	24
" J. G. Maxwell, -	27	Hon. G. M. Stroud, -	29
" J. Coleman, D. D.	7	James S. Newbold, -	4
" F. Ogilby, -	2	H. Reed, - - -	1
" W. H. Odenheimer,	3	L. R. Ashurst, - -	2
" T. H. Quinan, -	1	J. S. Smith, - -	1
" N. S. Harris, -	2	Dr. West, - -	1
" J. B. Clemson, -	1		
" F. W. Beasley, -	1		
" R. U. Morgan, D. D.	1		
" P. Van Pelt, - -	1		

Of the Lay Representations, whole number of votes cast, 63
Necessary to a choice, - - - - - - - 32

Of these,—

Clerical Members.		Lay Members.	
Rev. G. E. Hare, D. D.	56	Thomas Robins, -	62
" M. A. De W. Howe,	57	Wm. Welsh, - -	35

Lay Representations—Continued.

Rev.	R. Newton, -	35	Thos. H. Powers,	-	34
"	W. L. Suddards,	33	G. M. Stroud, -	-	35
"	J. G. Maxwell, -	34	Edward Olmstead,	-	32
"	H. J. Morton, D. D.	29	G. M. Wharton,	-	28
"	J. C. Clay, D. D.	28	J. S. Smith, -	-	26
"	J. Rodney, jr., -	26	T. M. Pettit, -	-	26
"	J. Coleman, D. D.	4	J. Welsh, jr., -	-	27
"	H. W. Ducachet, D. D.	3	L. R. Ashurst, -	-	2
"	B. Dorr, D. D. -	2	F. West, - -	-	1
"	P. Van Pelt, -	2	W. M. Meredith,	-	1
"	W. H. Odenheimer,	1			
"	F. Ogilby, - -	1			

The Bishop thereupon announced that Rev. Dr. Hare and Rev. Mr. Howe, of the Clergy, and Mr. Thomas Robins, of the Laity, had been duly elected members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and that none of the other persons voted for had received the requisite majority of votes.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.
Thursday, May 18th, A. D. 1848, 9 o'clock, A.M.

The Convention assembled. The meeting was opened with appropriate collects by the Bishop. The roll was called and the minutes read, and, after amendments, approved. The following Clergymen and Lay Deputies not before present, answered to their names and took their seats, viz., Rev. Messrs. Davis, Lightner, Norris, Preston and Ridgeley, and Messrs. Ball, W. D. Brown, S. N. Davies, Morris, Pearce, W. H. Stokes, Talbot.

On motion of Mr. Welsh, it was Resolved, that further balloting for members of the Standing Committee, Delegates to the General Convention, and Treasurers of the Convention Fund and Episcopal Fund, be dispensed with at this Session of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler, it was Resolved, that notice be given by the Secretary to the Churches which have been declared

by the Convention as no longer entitled to send deputies to this body.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Davis, it was Resolved, that a Committee of , of which the Bishop shall be the chairman, be appointed to examine the following propositions, and to report to this body on the merits thereof, namely:

I. As to the expediency of laying out the Diocese into twelve mission districts, more or less, according to the judgment of the Bishop, and subsequently to increase or diminish the same at his discretion.

II. As to the expediency of the missionary interests in each district being placed in the hands of a presbyter appointed by the Bishop to superintend the same in his absence.

III. As to the expediency of establishing a home for the mission at some central or convenient point within the district, which shall serve likewise as a place of education, especially in regard to training young persons for the gospel ministry; the same being supervised in the absence of the Bishop by persons of his appointment; also as a retreat for the infirm and superannuated Clergy of the district.

The following Committee was appointed: Rev. Mr. Davis, Dr. Upfold, Rev. Messrs. Natt, Hilton, and Colton, and Messrs. J. M. Aertsen, Parry, Wheeler, Sheaff, Duy.

The Rev. Mr. Davis further moved as follows: Resolved, that the form of the parochial reports be amended by adding:

I. Number of children prepared by their parents and guardians for being publicly catechised in the church by the minister, and the number of the same otherwise prepared.

II. Number of poor belonging to the parish, and the means contributed by the same for their relief.

III. Number of baptized persons within the bounds of the parish that neglect the public worship of Almighty God, and the means, if any, and if any, what means are employed to reform them.

Or such information on the foregoing points as may be convenient.

This was, on motion of Mr. Welsh, laid on the table.

The Committee on Charters presented the following Report:

The Committee on Charters report, That they have examined

the Charters and Articles of Association which have been submitted to the Convention and referred to them; namely, the Charters of incorporation of Zion Church at Tuscarora, in the county of Schuylkill; of the Church of the Holy Apostles of St. Clair, in the county of Schuylkill; of St. Mark's Church, in the city of Philadelphia; of the Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia, and of St. Jude's Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county; and the original Articles of Association of a Congregation in the town of Northumberland, in Northumberland county: that it appears in these charters that the Churches respectively therein mentioned accede to the Constitution, Canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese: that it also appears from the authenticated certificates endorsed, that the said charters have duly passed the inspection of the Attorney General and the Judges of the Supreme Court, and have been enrolled, by order of the Governor, in the Charter Book of the Commonwealth: and it further appears that the articles and provisions of the charters are in all material respects agreeable to the Form recommended in the Revised Regulations of 1829.

The Committee report, that the Articles of Association above mentioned, are framed in conformity with the Canons and Revised Regulations, but that the congregation associated under those articles have not obtained a charter of incorporation, though it would seem that an application has been made to, and favorably acted upon, by some court, with that intent.

The following resolution in relation to the said Charters and Articles of Association, is herewith submitted:

Resolved, That Zion Church, at Tuscarora, Schuylkill county; the Church of the Holy Apostles of St. Clair, Schuylkill county; St. Mark's Church; the Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia; and St. Jude's Church, Spring Garden, in Philadelphia county; and St. Mark's Church, Northumberland, in Northumberland county, be, and they are hereby admitted into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

In behalf of the Committee,

A. L. Hayes, Chairman.

The Resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Morgan, the subject of Lay Deacons was taken up for consideration, according to the Report of the Committee on unfinished Business.

After discussion, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the subject was laid on the table.

The Rev. Mr. Leaf stated, that it was not his intention at present to make the motion of which he gave notice yesterday, in reference to rescinding the 8th Revised Regulation.

The Rev. Mr. Harris moved, that, in view of a Resolution on the subject passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and concurred in by the House of Bishops, and in order to call the attention of the members of the Church in this Diocese to the duty of providing more ample free sittings, a Committee be appointed to consider and report how this duty may most wisely and effectually be discharged. The motion was carried, and Rev. Messrs. Harris and Odenheimer, and Messrs. W. Welsh, R. R. Montgomery and E. C. Biddle appointed the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Robins, it was Resolved, that $300 be appropriated toward the payment of mileage to Rectors of such churches as have made contributions to the Convention Fund for the current year; and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same to such Clergymen as make application, pro rata, according to their actual expenses.

Resolved, that until the next stated Convention, the actual expenses of the Bishop upon his Episcopal visitations be paid out of the Convention Fund, provided that the amount so paid do not exceed the sum of $350.

The House then proceeded to the order of the day, as fixed yesterday.

The recommendations of the Committee as to the inexpediency of the proposed alterations of the 9th Canon and the 7th Article of the Constitution were concurred in.

The House then took up for consideration the resolution proposed by the Committee.

On motion of G. M. Wharton, the Resolution was amended by inserting "except of Secretary and Assistant Secretary," after the words "no election," in the 7th line thereof.

On motion of Judge Stroud, the resolution was further amended, by striking out these words, "the first three lines of the second paragraph of the 6th Article of the Constitution," in the first and second lines of the Resolution, and by inserting in lieu thereof, as follows, "the following words in the 6th Article of the Constitution, viz: all officers and committees appointed by ballot, must in order to their election receive the votes of a majority of the Clerical members and of the Lay Representations."

On motion of the same, the Resolution was further amended by adding thereto the following:

And provided also, that if no such majority of the clerical members and of the Lay Representations be present at that time, such elections shall be postponed until 10 o'clock of the morning of the next day when the same shall be proceeded in without regard to the number then present.

Mr. Bull moved to recommit this portion of the report of the Committee, which was lost.

The Rev. Mr. Colton moved the following as a substitute, viz:

"All officers except Secretary and Assistant Secretary, and Committees appointed by ballot, must in order to their election, receive a majority of the votes of the Clerical members, and of the Lay Representations.

Provided always, that a majority of those entitled to vote at the time of the election, are then in the house—and that such election, except that of Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Convention, shall be held at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of the session.

Mr. Riley moved to strike out the proviso in the proposed substitute, which was lost. The question was then taken on the substitute, and it was not agreed to.

The Rev. Dr. Hare moved to postpone indefinitely the further consideration of the whole matter—which was lost.

Mr. Pettit moved to strike out the word, "held" in the 11th line of the Resolution, and insert in lieu thereof the words "in order"—which was not agreed to.

On motion of Judge Stroud, the Resolution was further amended, by inserting after the word "time" in the amendment proposed by him as an addition to the Resolution of the Com-

mittee, and heretofore adopted, the words "or if said elections be not completed."

Mr. Wheeler moved the following as a substitute to the Resolution of the Committee.

"All elections shall be determined by the majority shown on the count: and the times of all elections may be appointed by the Convention."

Rev. Mr. Colton moved to strike out from the proposed substitute, the last paragraph, which did not prevail. Mr. Wheeler's substitute was then rejected.

Judge Hayes moved to amend the Resolution as amended by inserting after "10 o'clock in the morning of the next day," the words "or as soon thereafter as circumstances will permit"—which was lost.

The Resolution, as the same had been amended was then approved of as a proposition for amendment of the Constitution, to lie over to the next Convention.

The proposed amendment as approved of, reads thus:

"Resolved, That the following words in the 6th Article of the Constitution, viz: "all officers and committees appointed by ballot, must, in order to their election, receive the votes of a majority of the Clerical members, and of the Lay Representations," be stricken out, and in place thereof, there be inserted as follows:

"All officers and committees appointed by ballot, must in order to their election, receive a majority of the whole number of votes cast at such election by each order; provided that there shall be no election, except of Secretary and Assistant Secretary, unless there are present at the time, a majority of the Clerical members, and a majority of the Lay Representations, who shall have appeared during the session, and been admitted to seats; and such election, except that of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Convention, shall be held at five o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of the session; and provided also, that if no such majority of the Clerical members and of the Lay Representations be present at that time, or if said elections be not completed, such elections shall be postponed until ten o'clock of the morning of the next day, when the same shall be proceeded in without regard to the number then present."

The Rev. Dr. Coleman then moved to lay upon the table the subject of the remaining orders of the day, which prevailed.

Mr. James S. Smith offered the following proposition as an amendment to the eighth Article of the Constitution, viz:

To amend the Eighth Article of the Constitution by striking out in the 2d line the words "ten," "five" and "five," and substituting the word eight for the word ten, and the word four for the word five, where it occurs in the said 2d line.

But the Convention refused to approve the same.

On motion of the Secretary, he was authorized to have 750 copies of the Journal printed.

On motion of Jas. S. Riley, the Secretary was directed to send a copy of the Journal to each parish in union with the Convention.

The Secretary moved, that the next meeting of the Convention be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1849, at 5 o'clock, P. M., which was carried.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dorr, it was Resolved, that 150 extra copies of the Bishop's Address be printed separately for distribution to each Clergyman in the Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Bull moved that the Convention take up for consideration the Report of the Minority of the Committee upon proposed alterations in the Constitution. A vote by orders being called over, the vote of the Clergy stood as follows:

Ayes.

Rev. T. G. Allen,
" L. Bull, D. D.
" J. B. Clemson,
" J. N. Douglass,
" G. E. Durborow,
" G. C. Fields,
" S. Hazlehurst,
" G. Kirke,
" J. Long,
" G. Mintzer,
Rev. R. U. Morgan, D. D.
" J. Reynolds,
" G. W. Ridgely,
" T. A. Starkey,
" N. Stem,
" H. Tullidge,
" P. Van Pelt,
" C. Wiltberger, Jr.
Rt. Rev. A. Potter, D. D.

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Noes.

Rev. F. W. Beasley,	Rev. G. P. Hopkins,
" W. H. Bourns,	" M. A. De W. Howe,
" S. Bowman, D. D.	" H. E. Montgomery,
" G. Boyd, D. D.	" B. W. Morris,
" C. Breck,	" G. W. Natt,
" W. M. Carmichael, D. D.	" W. H. Norris,
" J. C. Clay, D. D.	" W. H. Odenheimer,
" J. Coleman, D. D.	" F. Ogilby,
" A. S. Colton,	" J. Rodney,
" W. C. Cooley,	" G. Sheets,
" B. Dorr, D. D.	" J. H. Smith,
" H. W. Ducachet, D. D.	" R. Smith,
" W. Flint,	" H. S. Spackman,
" J. H. Fowles,	" G. Upfold, D. D.
" N. S. Harris,	" John A. Vaughan, D. D.
" G. E. Hare, D. D.	" H. H. Weld,
" W. J. Hilton,	" T. C. Yarnall,
" J. W. Hoffman,	35

The vote of the Clergy being in the negative, the taking of the vote of the Laity was dispensed with—so the motion was lost.

The following were appointed a Committee on the state of the Church, viz: Rev. Mr. Suddards, Rev. Dr. Dorr, Rev. Mr. Newton, and Messrs. J. S. Newbold and Hoskins.

Upon motion of Rev. Dr. Upfold, it was Resolved to adjourn sine die, after the usual religious exercises.

The minutes were then read and corrected preparatory to adjournment, whereupon the Bishop addressed some earnest and affectionate remarks to the members of the Convention, who, at the close, united in singing the four last verses of the 99th Psalm of the Selection, with the Doxology, and thereupon, after suitable collects offered by the Bishop, and after his benediction, the Convention adjourned sine die.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Report of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen.

I am still engaged in missionary effort as set forth in last Report.

I have administered or assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper on 13 occasions. I have baptized 75 persons. In preaching, lecturing, &c., I have officiated on 233 occasions. I have married 24 couple. I have officiated on 83 funeral occasions.

During the year up to March 12th, my pastoral visits have been 1080;—1036 of them to the sick, afflicted, &c. There have been distributed a few Bibles and Prayer Books, and 70,000 pages of tracts, in which is included 47,000 pages of the tract, Morning and Evening Prayers for Children and Youths, &c.

I have also been instrumental in circulating more than 80 sets of Scott's Commentary.

My monthly appointment at the Widow's Asylum; also my weekly appointment in the Magdalen Asylum, and at my own house are continued. When I have had no appointment on the Lord's day, I have, most generally, gone to the Eastern Penitentiary. On some of these occasions, after preaching to the prisoners, I have visited them individually, offering them tracts with a word of counsel, &c. On Sabbath June 13th, my *fifty-third birth-day*, I spent nearly *eight hours* in the enclosure of the Penitentiary. I preached twice and visited upwards of 100 convicts.

Report of the Rev. F. W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia County, and of Christ Church, Oak Grove, Bucks County.

Baptisms, infants, 19; communicants added, 4; died or removed, 3; present number, 50; public services, on every Sunday in the year, at All Saints' Church in the morning—in the afternoon at the Chapel—during Lent, once each week at both

places—twice at Mechanicsville—twice at a house two miles above All Saints' Church—twice at China Retreat—once on a Sunday evening, and once on Wednesday evening at Hulmeville, during the absence of the Rector—once at the Presbyterian Church in Bensalem. The children are instructed in the catechism once a month at All Saints' Church. Sunday schools, 2; in the one at Oak Grove the children receiving their instruction from the Rector alone during the last summer. Collection for the Episcopal fund, $6 00; for Missions in Wisconsin, 16 00; Monthly collections, 20 00.

As the annual meeting of our Missionary Society has been postponed, I am unable to say what sum will be collected by it.

Report of the Rev. R. H. Bourne.

I beg respectfully, in compliance with the Canons of the Church, to present a brief report of the manner in which my time has been occupied during the past year.

As an Agent of the American Sunday School Union, I have been employed principally in presenting among such of my brethren of the Episcopal Church as were friendly to the cause, the class of operations in which this Society is engaged, and in making collections to aid its efforts among the destitute.

It becomes me gratefully to acknowledge the kindness and courtesy with which I have been every where treated.

As the business of my agency has left my time on the Lord's day, much at my own disposal, I have left myself at the service of my brethren, and have esteemed it a privilege to be permitted to render them any service in my power, in preaching, or other parochial duties.

I have thus in various churches in Philadelphia and the neighbouring counties, and in the other cities visited, preached 70 times; and assisted in the reading of the service, and at the Lord's supper on 30 or more other occasions, twice I administered the Holy Communion alone; twice the Ordinance of Baptism; twice performed the burial service; once the marriage service;—and on one occasion assisted my respected Bishop at an Ordination; namely, that of two candidates for the priesthood, and two for the Diaconate, in St. Peter's Church, New York; on the 16th of April last. In addition to these services, I have

visited some 50 Sunday schools, comprising from 6000 to 7000 pupils; which I generally addressed.

Report of the Rev. William H. Bourns, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, 39; adults, 112; children, 54; total, 166; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 3; total 4; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 11; died or removed, 10; present number, 53; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 56; total, 160; children catechised, 12; times, 6; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 39; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 50; total, schools, 2; teachers, 11; pupils, 89; Bible class, 1; members, 10; collections, Episcopal fund, $8 00; Convention fund, 8 00; Soc. Adv. Christianity, 48 00; Missionary and other purposes, 83 88; total, $147 88.

In addition to the above services, I have preached ten times in the Poor House, since 1st of January last.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster, Lancaster County.

Baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 29; total, 35; confirmed, 12; marriages, 5; burials, 17; communicants added, 14; died or removed, 13; present number, 138; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 49; total, 153; children catechised, monthly; Bible class, 1; members, 10; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 31; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 42; infant school, teacher, 1; pupils, 64; total, schools, 3; teachers, 14; pupils, 137; collections, Christmas fund, $21 55; Convention fund, 35 75; Episcopal fund, 22 66; Society for Advancement of Christianity, 50 00; Missionary and other purposes, 396 04; total, $526 00.

Of the item last above named, $150 00 were in part payment of a debt remaining on the parsonage of the Church.

Report of the Rev. Charles Brenk, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wellsboro', Tioga county.

Congregation, families, 60, adults, 180, children, 157, total, 337; baptisms, adults, 10, infants, 24, total, 34; confirmed, 12; communicants, added, 14, died or removed, 4, present

number, 65; marriages, 3; burials, 13; public services, on Sundays, 100 times, other days, not known; children catechised, in the church every Sunday; Sunday schools, male 2, teachers, 7, pupils, 32; female, 2, teachers, 8, pupils, 80; total, schools 4, teachers, 15, pupils, 112; collections, Episcopal Fund, $10, Convention Fund, 5,00, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 8,00, missionary and other purposes, 37,00, total, $60.

During the past year, I have officiated in some of the school houses in the vicinity; in the villages of this county, and at the seats of justice of the counties of Potter and McKean.

Report of the Rev. S. C. Brinckle, Rector of St. James' Church, Kingsessing.

Congregation, families, 50; baptisms, adults, 3, infants, 11, total, 14; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 3, died or removed, 1; present number, 40; marriages, 9; burials, 13; public services, on Sundays, 79, other days, 13, total, 92; children catechised 4 times; Sunday schools, 2, teachers, 7, pupils, 50; collections, missionary purposes, $63,40.

The undersigned on the 15th of this month, resigned the charge of this church which he has held since December, 1834, and has taken a letter of dismission to the diocese of Delaware. With this report therefore will close the connexion of the undersigned with a diocese in which his entire ministerial life thus far has been passed, comprehending a period of thirty years.

S. C. Brinckle, *Late Rector.*

Report of the Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia County.

This parish has continued since my last report to sustain my testimony to the primitive and apostolic order of free seats and freewill offerings, in the place of rented pews, and what has well been called the commercial system. It has not been without much fear and trembling, many sacrifices, and the necessity of constant self-denial, that I have so far been enabled to abide what I believe to be the will of the Lord. My hope is gradually brightening, although I must confess, that my patience is sometimes sorely tried.

No important changes have marked the history of this parish during the past year. The Church proper is I think manifestly

growing in grace; numbers are walking blamelessly in all the ordinances and commandments of the Lord. Others are yielding their hearty consent to my ministry, and striving to enter into its spirit, while there is a constant attendance and participation in our worship, of persons, who seem to be seeking rest to their souls.

I have solemnized 7 marriages, and baptized 19 persons, (3 adults.) The Sunday and infant schools are continued, with the best results. The children are trained in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord," as the church directs, and all other formularies of instruction are carefully excluded, as far as may be. By the liberality of one who loves the church, and prays for its prosperity, the Sunday School library has recently been enlarged, by the addition of a considerable number of books, designed more immediately for the teachers. From this good is anticipated to flow.

Report of the Rev. E. Y. Buchanan, Rector of All Saints' Church, Paradise, Lancaster county, and Christ Church, Leacock.

All Saints' Church, Paradise.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 38; individuals, 215; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 10, total 12; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 8, died, 2, removed, 4, stricken from list on account of non-attendance at communion, 2, separated from the church, 2, present number, 54; marriages, 5; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 53, other days, 23, total, 76; children catechised, frequently; 1 Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 125; collections, Episcopal Fund, $7,28, Convention Fund, $7,75, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, $7,50, missionary purposes, $17,29, Tract and Prayer Book Societies, $12,80, other purposes, $58; total, $110,63.

Christ Church, Leacock.

Congregation, families, and parts of families, 37; individuals, 175; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 4, total, 6; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 7, died, 2, removed, 5, separated from the church, 1, present number, 40; Marriages, 1; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 34, other days, 6; total 40; children catechised, often; Sunday Schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils,

45; collections, Episcopal Fund, $3,75, Convention Fund, $3,00, missionary and other purposes, $37,75, total, $44,50.

This congregation continues to afford encouraging indications of improvement. The church, it is hoped, will this summer, be placed in a state of complete repair.

Report of the Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Chester county, and St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks Co., and Bangor Church, Church Town, Lancaster Co.

St. Mary's Church, Chester Co.

Baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, present number 49; public service, once every Lord's day, extra services about 12, total, 64; besides about 20 at associations, &c.; Sunday school, 1; teachers, male, 6, female, 5; pupils about 40, in general attendance; children catechised on alternate Sundays, during summer; collections for foreign and domestic missions.

St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks Co.

Baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, present number, 64; public services every Sunday once; extra services about 10, total 62; Sunday school, 1; teachers, male, 8, female, 10; pupils 45, usually present; children catechised during summer on alternate Sundays; collections for missionary purposes have been made in both churches, and made for the Convention Fund, at Morgantown, $1,95, and for the Episcopal Fund, $8,55.

Bangor Church.

I have resigned the pastoral charge of St. Mary's Church, Warwick township, and county of Chester, after having had the pastoral charge thereof for more than forty years, and have accepted the charge of Bangor church, Church Town, Lancaster county. Of the latter I have no report to make, but to say that I have preached there three Sundays, and administered the holy communion once. The prospect of my being useful is rather encouraging.

Collections have been raised, for the Convention Fund, $4,50, and for the Episcopal Fund, since I took charge of the parish, $8,00.

Report of the Rev. John B. Colhoun.

For several months past my health, which was for some time too infirm to permit me to officiate as often as I would have wished, has been perfectly restored. Since my last report, however, I have preached upwards of 55 times, administered the Holy Communion 6 times, baptized 4 infants, 3 of whom belong to the diocese of New Jersey, besides frequently assisting the clergy of the city and neighbourhood in conducting the public services of the Church.

Report of the Rev. William M. Carmichael, Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county, Pa.

Congregation, families, 50; adults, 130, children, 100, total, 230; baptisms, adults, 4, infants, 24, total, 28; confirmed, 25; communicants, added, 4, died or removed, 1, present number, 75; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays twice, other days occasionally; children catechised, times 10; Sunday Schools, 1; male teachers, 5, female teachers, 11; pupils, 100; collections, Christmas Fund, $10,01, Convention Fund, $5,50, Missionary Fund, $7,31, total, $22,82.

In addition to the above, there has been about $100 collected for the purpose of increasing the Sunday School library, and the purchasing of Tracts, which are distributed monthly by the rector to every family of the parish, and frequently, as the opportunity offers, to the destitute in the surrounding country.

Within a short period, the ladies of the Female Sewing Society, have made a donation to the church, of a splendid bible and prayer book for the desk, besides their constant and repeated benefactions to the poor and needy.

It may be proper also here to remark, that there has been a debt accumulating against this church for several years past, until it amounted in all, principal and interest, to the sum of $900 and upwards. This was found to be a most grievous burden, as well as a most serious obstacle to the prosperity of the church. It was, in fact, an evil which could not be borne any longer than the circumstances of the case should imperatively demand. That time has recently transpired, and the consequence has been, that by the determination and co-operation, of a few energetic ladies of the congregation, the whole amount of

the debt has not only been subscribed, but more than two-thirds of it has actually been paid off within a short period, and the remainder is so secured, as to be—beyond the reach of any contingency,—forthcoming some time during the next year.

During the past year, I would also state, that I have preached several times at Greenville, about twenty-five miles distant, in the adjoining county of Mercer, twice at New Castle, in Butler county, about fifty miles distant, and once at Wilmington in the same region, at the request of the Bishop. Other and more frequent services would have been rendered at other points, but owing to the badness of the roads and ill health, I have been able to perform no more than those mentioned above, and then only as I might be favored with the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Lord, to whom I am under many obligations for the performance of duties during my repeated indisposition during the past year.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville.

Congregation, families, 57; adults, 125; children, 85; total, 209; baptisms, adults, 4; children, 13; total, 17; confirmations, 2; communicants added, 8; died or removed, 11; present number, 62; marriages, 3; burials, 8; public services on Sundays, 96; other days, 57; total, 153; Bible class, 1; Sunday school, male teachers, 5; female teachers, 8; male scholars, 33; female scholars, 59; total teachers and scholars, 105; collections, general missions, $65 82; benevolent purposes, $197 28; total, $263 10.

This Parish under the favor of Divine Providence continues to be prospered, as will be seen by comparing the present statistics with those of former years.

The unusually large number of removals from the communion arises from several sources, one of which, it may be proper to mention, is the official displacement of sundry persons whose names I found on the list when I took charge of the Parish, but who have not been in the habit of communing with the church. The Rector deeming it his duty to present to the Convention, those only whose life and conduct was in accordance with their profession.

Among the auxiliaries to the preached word which have exerted a beneficial influence upon the Church the past year, is the

Parish Library. This institution, humble though it be, has yet been fruitful in much good, and gives fair promise for the future. The books, containing useful knowledge, with purity of doctrine and attractiveness of style, have not only been the means of guiding some into the way of peace, but also have been more extensively circulated among the people than might at first have been expected. Forty volumes, at least, are out nearly all the time, which considering the size of the Parish, augurs favorably for the institution.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Childs, Rector of St. David's Church, Radnor, Delaware co.

Congregation, families, 65; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 4; total, 5; communicants, added, 6; removed, 1; present number, 49; marriages, 1; burials, 14; public services on Sundays, 141; other days, 19; collections, Convention fund, $2 70; other purposes, 37 26; total $39 96.

Rev. Mr. Bacheller resigned on the third Sunday in Advent. The present Rector received a call the 12th of January, but did not enter upon the discharge of his duties regularly until April. In the interval, the place was supplied by the kindness of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen, who besides other offices, admitted all those who were added as new, to the Communion. There is much to encourage the Rector, in the attendance and interest manifested by the Congregation.

Report of the Rev. Samuel A. Clark, Rector of Advent Church, N. L., Philada.

Advent Church became vacant by the resignation of its late Rector on the 19th of March, 1848. The present incumbent entered upon his duties on the 1st of May, and from the documents before him makes the following report:—

Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 13; total, 17; communicants on church record, 160; marriages, 8; burials, 7; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 112; female, 1; teachers, 13; pupils, 113; total, schools, 2; teachers, 25; pupils, 225; Bible classes, 1; contributions for various purposes, about $650 00.

Report of the Rev. William J. Clark, Rector of Christ Church, Williamsport, Lycoming County.

Congregation, families, 16; baptisms, infants, 7; communi-

cants added, 1; total, 16; burials, infants, 1; public services, on Sundays, 105; other days, 25; total, 130; children catechised, 20; every Sunday morning; Sunday school, female teachers, 5; female pupils, 23; male pupils, 24; Bible class, 1; members, 5; collection, Episcopal fund, $5; Missionary purposes, $14; other Ch. institutions, $5 50; Church debt, $346 23; fence for the Church, $40; incidental purposes, $35.

There is but little to record respecting the condition of the parish at the present time. The general aspect of the parish has improved, although we have added but one family to the church during the year. Our Church debt has been reduced by the kindness of our friends, and the persevering industry of the ladies of the parish, to a little over two hundred dollars. I must not omit to record the generous and timely gifts by the American Sunday School Union of two libraries for my Sunday school, comprising two hundred volumes.

Report of the Rev. J. C. Clay, D. D., Rector of Gloria Dei Church, Southwark.

Congregation, families, 180; baptisms, adults, 7; infants, 72; total, 79; confirmed, 11; communicants, added, 14; died or removed, 17; present number, 152; marriages, 50; burials, 22; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 65; total, 169; children catechised, openly in the church, 7 times, Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, about 70; female, 1; teachers, 13; pupils, 180; total, schools, 2; teachers, 21; pupils, 250; Bible classes, 2; members, 14; collections, Episcopal fund, $10; Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, 20; Missionary and other purposes, $170.

Report of the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

This parish is united and harmonious, and gives evidence of a healthy and encouraging growth and prosperity.

The Sunday Schools maintain their usual standing and numbers.

The children of the parish and schools are catechised openly in the church once a month, and are the objects of a constant, particular regard.

The Church has undergone extensive repairs and embellishments, which has been greatly to its improvement.

The parish is now erecting at a liberal expenditure, on a beautiful and commodious plan, and adjacent to the church, a rectory. The several flourishing boarding schools in the borough, now numbering six, render the position of the parish of peculiar importance.

Baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 2; marriages, 10; burials, 2; communicants, added, 10, removed, 3, died, 1, whole number, 50; collection for Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $16,00, Episcopal Fund, 4,50, Convention Fund, 4,50, domestic missions, 48,58, foreign missions, 47,00, repairs of church, 450,00, other objects of benevolence, 63,78, total, $634,36.

Report of the Rev. John Coleman, Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark.

Congregation, families, 205; adults, 630, children, 370, total, 1000; baptisms, adults, 9, children, 51, total, 60; confirmed, 28; communicants, last reported, 401, died, 8, removed, 27, added, 32, present number, 399; marriages, 19; burials, 34; public services, on Sundays, 116, other days, 48, total, 164; children catechised, 12 times, "openly in the church;" Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 11, pupils, 115; female, 2, teachers, 36, pupils, 281; total, schools, 3; teachers, 47; pupils, 396; bible classes, 2; members, 33; collections, Convention Fund, $16,69; Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, 50,00; Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, 17,56; Floating Chapel for seamen, 250,00; Missionary and other purposes, (of which the Sunday schools contributed $184,58,) 777,50; total, $1111,75.

Report of the Rev. William C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity Church, Pottsville.

During the last conventional year, we have by the Divine blessing on our labors, been able to build a church suited to the wants of this place. It stands upon the site of the old one, and will seat exactly nine hundred and eight adult persons comfortably, and has every third pew throughout the body of the edifice set apart to remain *permanently* free, thus making room for three hundred worshippers to come and partake of the

water of life freely. This is a feature in church accommodation indispensable to the successful discharge of that most bounden duty of preaching the gospel to the poor. And I desire in this report to record my sincere thanks, first to the Great Head of the Church, and then to those into whose hearts He has put the benevolent desire of so contributing to this church, that it is perfectly adapted to the circumstances of the people of the place and its vicinity.

The church is built of stone, in the early English Gothic style, in every way church-like, and when completed will be well calculated to attract worshippers, and also to predispose them to be solemn and devout within its hallowed courts. Already has the attendance upon service nearly doubled, though we have been worshipping in the church only a few months, thus giving an earnest of the rich harvest that may yet be gathered by the faithful laborer in this field.

Besides the building of the church, we have been enabled to accomplish another object of great importance to the interests and prospects of the parish. We have obtained a lot for a cemetery, containing some four acres of ground conveniently located, for the purposes of burial, and shall in a short time have it fenced and prepared for use. This will enable us to gather many who have strayed away, but who in all their wanderings have not been able to forget the Church's solemn burial service, or to banish the strong desire to be buried in ground consecrated by the same rites which gave peace to the ashes of their fathers.

Services have been regularly held on Sundays, but owing to the fact of our being obliged to worship in a house not at other times under our control, I have not been able to have service on Saints' days and holy days as usual. For the same reason our Sunday school was discontinued for a season, but it has been reopened with about the same number of teachers and pupils as formerly, and I trust it will continue to increase until the lambs of the flock shall all be brought under the salutary discipline and teaching of the Church.

As we have so recently commenced worshipping in the new church, it is impossible to give an accurate report of the present number of stated worshippers. For missionary and other purposes we have made the following appropriations.

To the Rev. Mr. Starky, missionary in parts adjacent, $200,00; Bishop's fund, 10,00; Advancement Society, 5,00; domestic missions, 12,00; for an organ in the new church, 875,00, being the proceeds of a fair held by the ladies. I have had 2 adult baptisms, 87 infants and children; 17 funerals, 12 marriages.

Report of Rev. A. S. Colton, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bradford County.

Last June, while officiating in Towanda, I baptized in the township of Cherry, Sullivan county, 4 adults and 6 children in two families, in a neighborhood where several families desire the services of the church, but quite remote from any of our parishes.

July 20th, I resigned the rectorship of the parish in Towanda, and engaged in missionary services at St. Matthew's, in the township of Pike, where I became rector about the 1st of October.

This parish has been long neglected, and in the absence of records, for the past, I cannot pretend to entire accuracy in the statistics. The number of families may be set down at about 35; worshippers about 130; communicants 23; public services twice each Sunday, in the church; and once in two weeks, a third service at a school-house, at Stevensville, as also on the principal holy days, and Wednesday nights since the beginning of Lent. The Sunday school, owing to the distance of parishioners is small; taught mostly by myself; children taught the catechism regularly in the school; collections for foreign missions, $4,25; domestic, 5,00; Convention Fund, 2,00.

Report of the Rev. Thomas Crampton, Rector of Christ Church, Allegheny, Allegheny co.

The congregation is considerably increased since my last report; but I am not able to ascertain the number of persons or families that belong to it.

There have been 1 adult and 22 infants baptized, total, 23. No confirmations. There have been 6 communicants added, 4 died or removed, leaving the present number, 87. The number of burials has been 9. There have been 103 public services on Sundays; on other days, 19; total, 122. The children have

been catechised for some months past every afternoon, immediately before evening service. Our Sunday school consists of 5 male teachers and 5 female; total, 10 teachers, 28 male pupils, and 40 female; total, 68.

The indebtedness of the congregation for the Church building has made it inexpedient to make any collections, but to meet the demands that have been made against us. During the past year, we have been able, among ourselves, to pay the interest on our debt, and to liquidate some claims that were against us.

Report of the Rev. Thomas J. Davis.

That since the last Convention, he has performed divine service 38 times, and assisted therein 43; also preached 36: baptized 20 infants, administered the holy communion 4 times, and assisted therein 11; solemnized 5 marriages, and performed the funeral rite, 7 times.

Report of the Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery co.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 125: children, 53; total, 178; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 7; total, 13; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 12; removed, 2; present number, 45; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 53; other days, 10; total, 63; children catechised, 60; times monthly, in the church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 30: total, schools, 2; teachers, 6; pupils, 61: collections, Episcopal fund, $3 50; Society Advancement of Christianity, 12 00; Missionary and other purposes, 75 00; total, $90 50.

In compliance with the requisition of Canon 7 of 1841, the undersigned adds the following statement to his report;

Public services in the parish of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, 40: baptisms, in do., adults, 7; children, 13; total, 20; burials in public cemeteries, 2.

Report of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 220; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 47; total, 50; confirmed, 14; communicants added, 23; died or removed, 18; present number, 417; marriages, 10; burials,

38; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 187; total, 291; children catechised, 300; times, 12; the last Sunday afternoon in each month. Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 104; female, 2; teachers, 33; pupils, 200; total, schools, 3; teachers, 45; pupils, 304; Bible classes, 2; members, 25; collections, Episcopal fund, $150 00; Convention fund, 50 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 271 27; Missionary and other purposes, 5470 90; total, $5942 17.

The above contributions were to the following objects, viz: Convention and Episcopal funds, $200 00; General Theol. Seminary, 20 00; Prayer Book Societies, 250 00; Sunday schools, 310 36; Missions, 1341 27; Relief of parish poor, 1113 58; Floating Chapel for seamen, 500 00; Calvary Church, a monument to Bishop White, seats free, 1760 00; Aid to other churches, 406 96; total, $5942 17.

Report of Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Presbyter.

Baptisms, infants, 5; marriages, 3; funerals, 5; performed Divine service about 120 times; administered the communion and assisted about 13 times.

I have preached frequently for my brethren, visited the sick and lectured to Sunday schools. I have administered the holy communion in churches in which the pastors, being in Deacon's orders, were not invested with authority to dispense that sacrament. I have frequently, on invitation, officiated in the diocese of New Jersey. I have performed every duty solicited by my Bishop, and thus endeavored to "make full proof of my ministry."

Report of the Rev. J. G. Downing, Rector of St. James' Church, Muncy, Lycoming co.

Having been in charge of the above parish only since the end of February, I have necessarily very little to report.

Communicants, about 100; removed, 5; received from other cures, 3; burials, 2; Sunday schools, 1; male teachers, 5; female teachers, 7; pupils, 70; children catechised, times, 2. I have regular services twice on Sundays.

During Lent the church was open for prayers and lecture every Wednesday and Friday, as well as every other day during Passion Week.

I officiate every alternate Sunday afternoon at Goosetown, to a very interesting congregation. I have visited and preached once at Hughesburg, where it is my intention to hold regular service every alternate Sunday, as soon as it can be done.

Since I came here, I have spent a good deal of time in parochial visiting; I have now nearly completed my plan of visiting every family and member of the church and congregation.

Report of the Rev. Geo. C. Drake, Rector of St. James' Church, Schuylkill Haven, Schuylkill co.

Congregation, families, 29; adults, 64; children, 57; total, 121; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 13; total, 14; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 2; present number, 27; marriages, 4; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 87; other days, 7; total, 94; Sunday school, teachers, 6; pupils, about 50; collections, Episcopal Fund, $4 40; Convention fund, 1847, 5 00; Soc. Adv., 6 00; Domestic Missions, 13; Christmas fund, 3 90; Sunday school, 7 97; Convention fund, 1848, 5 00; total, $45 27.

The Vestry at a recent meeting determined to make the seats in the church free, and raise the salary of the minister by subscription. This change, it is to be hoped, will be justified by the results. The adult baptism, herewith reported, was performed in the waters of the Schuylkill by immersion.

Report of the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philada.

Baptisms, adults, 4; children, 26; total, 30; confirmed, 18; (one a sick person, in private,) marriages, 12; funerals, 24; public services, on Sundays, 100; other days, 65; public catechising of all the children of the parish and of the Sunday school, as usual, every Sunday in Lent, being 6 times; collections, for the Advancement Society, $816 64; general Missions, 218 50; Episcopal fund, 150; Christmas fund, 28 75; Convention fund, 25; charitable offerings, stated and special, 218 63; for the mission at Valle Crucis, N. Carolina, being the alms at the offertory on the 2d Sunday in Advent last, 121 71; total, $1650 93.

The communicants in this parish amount, it is calculated, to more than 300; but neither their number, nor that of the families attached to it, has been accurately ascertained. The same

ought to be said of very unusual amounts of money received from private sources, for poor churches, and various other objects of religion and charity. No sums are reported by the Rector, but such as pass through the hands of the Treasurer of the Vestry.

Report of the Rev. Heman Dyer, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, 21; adults, 50; children, 30; total, 80; baptisms, infants, 2; total, 2; communicants, 28; marriages; 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 35; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 50.

Besides the above services, I have officiated one or more times in the churches at Uniontown, Brownsville, and Allegheny city. I have also attended a Bible class connected with St. Andrew's Church.

Report of the Rev. George A. Durborow, Rector of the Church of the Redemption, Fairmount, S. G.

Families, over 90; services and sermons, 130; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 47; total, 52; confirmed, 13; communicants, over 40; marriages, 11; burials, 33; Sunday school teachers, 15; scholars, 170.

This mission still continues its usefulness, and during the past year has enjoyed many marks of the divine approval. And we pray that he, who has put it into our hearts to begin this good work will give us grace, and strength, and means, to continue our labors for the welfare of souls, and to the praise of his great name.

Report of the Rev. J. H. Fowles, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Phila.

Baptisms, infants, 69; confirmed, 25; communicants, removed or died, 31; added, 47; present number, 540; marriages, 15; burials, adults, 13; children, 8; total, 21; Sunday school, teachers, 75; pupils, 820; public services, 201; contributions towards religious and charitable objects, $7,907.81¼, the larger part of which has been appropriated towards the liquidation of a debt.

Report of the Rev. William Flint, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie, Erie county.

Congregation, families, 80; adults 180; children, 165; total, 345; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 11; total, 12; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 16; died or removed, 10; separated themselves, 2; present number, 81; marriages, 5; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 94; other days, 10; total, 104; children catechised, times, occasionally; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 55; collections, Convention fund, $9 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 1 00; Missionary and other purposes, 80 40; Improvement of the Church, 1800 00; total, $1890 40.

During the year, the church edifice has been enlarged and improved at an expense of $2300 00; the greater part of which has been paid. The remaining debt will soon be cancelled, it is believed, by the sale of pews. The Ladies' Sewing Society contributed $225 00, to the improvement of the church.

Report of the Rev. George G. Field, Rector of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 32; children, 34; total, 64; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 3; total, 4; confirmed, 6; communicants added, 5; removed, 3; present number, 20; marriages, 1; burials, 2; public services on Sundays, 96; other days, 41; total, 137; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 19; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 30; Convention fund, 2 00; Jewish Mission fund, 2 05; Convocation fund, $9 79¾; Female Tract Society, 2 21; Missionary and other purposes, 18 01; total, 36 36¾.

Report of the Rev. George D. Miles, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne co.

The present Rector entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in April. This, together with the fact that the parish has been without regular ministrations since last August, will account for the omission of the usual statistics. The congregation has been kept together, and services conducted both in the church and lecture room, by laymen connected with the parish. The number of communicants is about 80; two new ones added on Easter Sunday. The number of scholars attending the Sunday school, since April 1st, has averaged about 106. The number of teachers, is 18; 12 female, and 6 male. The general

appearance of the parish is prosperous and encouraging. Convention collection, $10 64.

Report of the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rector of the Church of the Atonement. Philadelphia.

The rector of the Church of the Atonement would beg leave respectfully to report to the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, that it is impossible for him to give as detailed a report of the circumstances and condition of his parish as canon 12 calls for.

Owing to the rapid increase of the families of the parish since the opening of the church on the first Sunday in Advent, the accounting warden informs me that ninety-six pews have been sold and rented, of which number sixty are purchased by the occupants. This will give about one hundred families regularly connected with the church, with their average proportion of adults and children. On Easter Sunday we had ninety-six communicants present. There have been no baptisms nor marriages. The number of funerals in the parish have been eight.

The following public services have been held; during the fall of 1847, prior to our occupancy of the present church building, we had public service and a sermon on the afternoon of every Sunday at Wills Hospital.

Since opening the church, we have had regular morning and evening service at 10½ o'clock and 5 o'clock in winter, and 10½ and 3½ during the spring months, with the exception of the third Sunday in each month, when the evening service is at 7½ o'clock. In addition to the regular Sunday services there have been two lectures during the week, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. During the season of Lent the week day services included an additional sermon in the church on Friday afternoon. All the services with but very little assistance, have been performed by the rector.

Our Sunday School numbers about 200 scholars and over 25 teachers, including an infant school and male and female Bible classes. The rector has also made arrangements for a weekly female Bible class, to meet during the summer, and to be under his personal instruction.

Our contributions are as follows; Christmas fund, $30 00, Sunday School fund, 70 00, Fair for Seamen's Friend Society,

325 00, Church contributions, &c., 170 00, Convention fund, 37 00; subscription for Communion set, silver, 220 00, total, $852 00.

The receipts for the pews fully meet *every* expense of the parish, with a small surplus.

Report of the Rev. Richard D. Hall.

Since the first week in August last, in addition to previous bodily infirmity, I have in the providence of God been overtaken by an increase of sickness, so as to be rendered more unfit for clerical duty; and only on Good Friday and the Sunday after Easter, have I attempted to deliver a sermon. The other items of ministerial duty are very limited, having performed two marriages, one burial, an adult, preached on twelve occasions, and assisted at two communions.

Report of the Rev. A. B. Hard, Rector of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, Delaware county.

Baptisms 8, infants, 7, adults, 1; marriages, 7; burials, 2; additions to communion, 5; died and removed, 5; present number, 71. Several persons are prepared to unite in communion who are waiting for the rite of confirmation. Sermons preached, about 60, besides weekly lectures throughout the year; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 10, scholars, 80; contributions, Domestic Missions, $10 75, Episcopal Fund, 3 75, Convention Fund, 5 00.

For near three months past, on account of bronchial affection, the rector has been obliged to suspend his usual public services; the pulpit has been regularly supplied by clerical brethren from the city and neighborhood.

Report of the Rev. G. Emlen Hare, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, 50; baptisms, infants, 8, total, 8; communicants, added, 7, removed, 3, present number, 50; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days 12, total, 116; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5, pupils, 40; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 40: colored school, scholars, 8,

infant school, 20; total, schools, 4, teachers, 15, pupils, 108; bible classes, 1, members, 6; collections, Episcopal Fund, $10 22, Convention Fund, 5 00, Missionary purposes, 37 28; total, $53 50.

Report of Benj. J. Douglass, Deacon.

It may not be inappropriate in connexion with the report of the parish, to refer to the circumstances of my ordination in February last. The rector of the church to which I am attached (St. Matthew's, Francisville,) being at the same time Principal of the Protestant Episcopal Academy, the growing state of the academy seemed to demand almost all his time, while the employment of some one who would assist him in the duties of the parish, now also increasing, was absolutely necessary. The need of one who would fill the pulpit on Sundays was *not felt*, but there was a great need of one who would preach from "house to house," who could assist in divine service, visit the sick, provide for the poor, and perform such other duties as are represented in the ordinal to pertain to the office of Deacon. At the request of the rector, and with the consent of the Bishop, I have undertaken this duty—having been ordained before the regular period, and the license to preach having on that account been withheld. Besides the duties thus devolving on me in the parish, I have continued to act as Assistant in the Protestant Episcopal Academy.

Report of Rev. N. Sayre Harris, Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 27, total, 29; confirmed, 12; communicants, added, 39, died or removed, 19, present number, 118; marriages, 10; burials, 14; public services, on Sundays, 96, other days, 31, total, 127; children catechised every Sunday; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 10, pupils, 148; female, 1, teachers, 18, pupils, 173; infant, 2, teachers, 2, pupils, 200; total, schools, 4, teachers, 30, pupils 421; Bible classes, 2, members, 26; Collections, none taken up for reasons given to and approved of by you.

The parish continues in a promising condition.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond, Philadelphia county.

Families, 38; adults, 75; baptisms, infants, 15; communicants added, 4; removed, 1; present number, 13; burials, 4; public services on Sundays, 87; other days, 15; total, 102; children catechised 3 times; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, 110.

The collections this year have been devoted to the erection of the church building and Sunday school.

My connexion with this parish commenced the 1st of March, 1847; and having been released from my engagements with the congregation of St. James' Church, Downingtown, on the 1st of June, my labors have been undivided since that period.

On the 28th of June, the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, with religious services, laid the corner stone of our building: on Christmas day, the basement, a room capable of accommodating 350 persons, was completed and opened for public worship: on Easter day, the 23d of April, the church was opened for the first time, and on Easter Monday it was consecrated to the worship of Almighty God.

The congregations during the year, though quite small, have experienced a steady increase, and we trust that He who has so highly blest us in the erection of a sanctuary, will not withhold from us the reviving and sanctifying influences of His Holy Spirit this present year.

Report of the Rev. H. T. Hiester, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 69; children, 57; total, 126; baptisms, infants, 4; communicants added, 6; removed, 6; whole number, 34; burials, 3; confirmed, 5; public services on Sunday, 104; other days, 50; total, 154; children catechised monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 36; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 66; collections, Episcopal fund, $3 43; Convention fund, 3 44; foreign missions, 20 00; domestic missions, 15 00; other purposes, 45 50; total, $86 87.

Report of the Rev. William J. Hilton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Kittanning, and Trinity Church, Freeport, Armstrong county.

St. Paul's Church, Kittanning.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 16; total, 17; communicants added, 14; present number, 53; confirmed, 17.

This parish is now in a more flourishing condition than it has ever been since its first organization. Our new church was finished last summer, and consecrated to the worship of Almighty God on the 27th of August last by the Bishop of the Diocese, since which time our prospects have continued to brighten.

The Rector has been much gratified with the large and regular attendance of the congregation, and the earnest heed which they seemed to give to the things which belong to their eternal peace. May the Lord continue to direct and prosper the labors of his unworthy servant!

All the usual collections have been taken up in this parish, though not mentioned in the above report, and will be handed to the persons authorized to receive them.

Trinity Church, Freeport.

Baptisms, infants, 13; adults, 1; total, 14; communicants added, 1; died, 1; present number, 56; confirmed, 6; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 50; collections for Advancement Society, $10 00; Convention fund, 4 50.

But little or no change has taken place in the prospects of this parish during the past year, and all that the Rector has to encourage him here is the consciousness of having endeavoured to discharge the duties of his office faithfully; and he would fain cherish the hope that his labors have not been altogether in vain, though but little fruit, thus far, has appeared.

Besides my regular services in my parishes, I have officiated several times at different places in the neighborhood, and once, but a few weeks ago, in the vacant parish of St. Michael's, Wayne township, Armstrong county. This parish is very anxious again to enjoy the services of the church of which they have for some time been deprived.

Report of the Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of St. John's Church, York, York county.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 70; children, 28; total,

98; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 17; total, 19; confirmed, 13; communicants added, 14; died or removed, 5; suspended, 1; present number, 43; marriages, 5; burials, 7; public services on Sundays, 101; other days, 63; total, 164; children catechised, 12; times, 4; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 12; pupils, 50; Bible classes, 1; members, 10; collections, Episcopal fund, $5 00; Convention fund, 2 50; Society Advancement of Christianity, 2 50; missionary and other purposes, 20 00; total, $30 00.

Report of the Rev. George P. Hopkins, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown.

The efforts which have been made to establish the services of our Church in Doylestown, have met with a measure of success which loudly calls for thankfulness to God: and while the missionary, under a profound impression of his own weakness and unworthiness, cannot but ascribe all the praise and the honor to that One source of grace and goodness, he feels himself abundantly blessed in being made the humble instrument of effecting some little good in the field wherein he has been laboring for the space of three years. Whatever difficulties and trials, therefore, have been encountered in the prosecution of the work thus far, he now feels inexpressibly happy in cherishing the hope that it has indeed been "the good pleasure of the *Lord*" which has prospered in his hands. On Easter Sunday our new church was opened for worship for the first time. This was a day long to be remembered by us all.

It gives me pleasure to be able to say that the interest of the people, in every thing appertaining to the Church, appears to be on the increase. May the Divine Spirit touch their hearts! May they soon become lively stones in the spiritual house of the Lord, being built up in their most holy places! Our congregations are evidently improving. The Sunday school, though small in number, occupies a large place in our hearts. The Rector is actively engaged in the instruction of the children of his flock. Before concluding this report he would express his sincere thanks to the pious ladies of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, as well as to numerous friends in Philadelphia, who have

taken so deep an interest in the erection of the beautiful edifice, which, but for their zeal and liberality, might never have been built.—"They *have* their reward."

Report of the Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 200; total, about 1000; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 38; total, 40; confirmed, 15; communicants added, 57; died or removed, 14; present number, about 300; marriages, 10; burials, 11; public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 73; total, 177; children catechised, times, 7; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 13; pupils, 152; female, 2; teachers, 22; pupils, 224; total, schools, 4; teachers, 35; pupils, 376; Bible classes, 4; members, 37 female, 25 male; parochial schools, 2; teachers, 2; pupils, 100; collections, Episcopal fund, $77 38; Convention fund, 50 00; Society Advancement Christianity, 184 00; missionary and other purposes, 2029 77; total, $2341 17.

Report of the Rev. B. S. Huntington.

Since my resignation of the parish of Rockdale, which occurred on the 27th of June, I have officiated at 4 marriages and 4 funerals; preached and lectured 14 times in neighboring parishes; and 100 times at the seminary under my charge at Aston Ridge.

Report of the Rev. M. Hirst, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Minersville, Schuylkill co.

Congregation, families, 25; adults, 150; children, 50; total, 200; baptisms, infants, 30; communicants, present number, 10; marriages, 4; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 72; other days, 10; total, 82; children catechised, 40; times, 4; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 40; collections, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $5; Convention fund, 2 50; other purposes, 200; total, $207 50.

In addition to the above, I have officiated at Tremont, Costerville, Painsville, and Lewellyn.

Report of the Rev. Joseph Jaquett.]

The Rev. Joseph Jaquett reports that during the past ecclesiastical year he has been teaching theological students in the Hebrew language.

Report of the Rev. Edward C. Jones, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Southwark.

From May last to January, 1848, I was engaged as Rector of the church of the Crucifixion, Moyamensing. From the latter period to the present, I have been occupied in building up a congregation in Southwark. Virtually, it is an endeavor, and thus far a successful one, to resuscitate a defunct parish, commenced under flattering auspices about six years ago. We have a steady congregation and a growing Sunday school. Burials, 4; marriages, 2; baptisms, 5; number of communicants, about 14; catechumens, 50; teachers, 5. I would also state that I have been engaged for the last seven months, as teacher of the Latin language and the higher branches of English literature in a Ladies' Seminary.

Report of the Rev. George Kirke, Rector of St. John's Church, New London, and St. James' Church, West Marlborough, and officiating as Missionary in various parts of Chester county.

St. John's, N. L.

Baptisms, children, 4; and 1 adult; 1 communicant added; died, 2; present number, 24; burials, 4; public services with sermons on the Lord's day, 27; other days, 16; total, 43; children catechised, 8 times; 1 Sunday school; 4 teachers; 20 pupils; 1 Bible class; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 04; Convention fund, 2 00; Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, 3 00; Domestic Missions, 3 62½. The church edifice has also been repaired and painted by the parish, at an expenditure of $50 00.

St. James', W. M.

Communicants, 2; services with sermons on the Lord's day, 23. Hitherto this church has been unconnected with the Convention, and for a number of years without a Vestry, those attending its services being chiefly the fluctuating population of the neighborhood. A Charter is, however, now in progress,

and it is hoped that at the period of another Convention, it will be admitted.

The Rector of the above mentioned churches, besides preaching at six other Churches, and several times at other places, has preached 25 times at the Chester County Prison, and 25 times at the County Poor House on the Lord's day, visiting such prisoners as have been discharged, prior to their liberation, and others as requesting either comfort or instruction at the former; and from two to four rooms occupied by the sick and afflicted, on each occasion of public service at the latter. Also, on the Lord's day, he has preached 8, and on other days, 3 times, above Fishville; and above Marshalltown, 16 times on the Lord's day; baptizing 4 children at the latter, and 4 at the former; marrying a couple from the neighborhood, and burying a child.

Report of the Rev. J. Long, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Susquehanna co.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 65; children, 20; total, 85; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, added, 2; died, 2; present number, 23; holy communion administered, 8 times; confirmed, 6; marriage, 1; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 72; other days, 94; total, 166; children catechised, 12; times, 20; Sunday school, 1; scholars, 12; teachers, 3; Bible class, 1; members, 10; collections, Adv. Soc., $4 28; additional, 1 00; Convention fund, $1 85.

In the good providence of Him, "in whose hands are the hearts of all men," our prospects here have become more encouraging. Attendance upon the services of the church increases; and this is found chiefly among the young. Prejudice seems to be dying away, and men seem more disposed to consider the truth as taught by "the Church." There is yet much to be done; "there is yet room," room, not only in our churches but in this field for laborers. The Lord of the harvest be pleased to send forth at least another laborer into this part of his vineyard. We endeavor to wait in patience his own good time. Hitherto has he helped us, why should we even doubt now?

Report of St. Mark's Church, New Milford.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 80; children, 30; total,

110; communicants, added, 2; present number, 28; holy communion administered, 8; confirmed, 4; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 45; other days, 12; total, 57; infant school, 18; Sunday school, 15; teachers, 4; Bible class, 16; children catechised, 12; times, 12; collection, for Adv. Soc., $11 48; for Convention fund, $3 15.

I have officiated at the Great Bend on Sundays, 12 times; other days, 2; total, 14; in St. Andrew's Church, Springville, on Sundays, 1; other days, 4; total, 5; presented for confirmation, 8; administered holy communion to a sick person, attended 4 funerals, and married 1 couple.

Report of the Rev. F. Lane, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Bradford co.

The congregation was well sustained last summer and fall, but small through the winter, owing in a measure to the inaccessible position of our church in bad weather. The services on Sundays and other days will average nearly one service a week. There have been five burials. The amount raised for the Convention fund, $1 50; for the Rector's salary, by subscription and donation, $250. The Sunday school has been discontinued through the winter, but will be opened on my return.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Leaf, Rector of Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, Berks county.

CHRIST CHURCH, POTTSTOWN.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 125; children, 54; total, 179; baptisms, children, 10; communicants received from other congregations, 3; died, 1; present number, 41; marriages, 5; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 65; total, 115; children catechised, 25; times monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 65; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 70; total, teachers, 14; pupils, 135; collections, for a bell, $100 00; relief of a poor family, 30 00; Missionary and other purposes, 150 00; total, $280 00.

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH, MORLATTIN.

Congregation, families, 57; adults, 250; children, 74; total, 324; baptisms, adults, 4; children, 17; total, 21; communicants added, 2; suspended, 2; died or removed, 4; present,

number, 60; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 50; other days, 5; total, 55; children catechised, 30; times, publicly in the church, 6; in the Sunday schools, frequently; Sunday schools, 3; male teachers, 10; female teachers, 15; scholars, 140; collections, for Missionary and other purposes, $86 00.

Service is also held twice a month at Mount Airy, distant from Morlattin, about three miles. At this place there is a good prospect of building a church. There has been no confirmation in either of the congregations under my charge since the last report, in consequence of an accident by which the Bishop was disabled from keeping his appointment.

Report of the Rev. Milton C. Lightner, Rector of Christ Church, Danville, Columbia County.

Baptisms, infants, 30; communicants added, 11; died, 4; removed, 4; present number, 75; marriages, 10; burials, 21; public services, on Sundays, 119; other days, 57; total, 176; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 6; female teachers, 12; scholars about 150; children catechised weekly in the Sunday school, and monthly, in the church; collections, Convention fund, $3; Foreign Missions, 16; Domestic Missions, 13; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 8; Missionary, 2; other purposes, 175; total, $215.

The Church in Derry is now in progress of erection, and will be completed, we trust, in the course of the summer.

Report of the Rev. Edwin N. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swedes') Church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 11; confirmed, 6; marriages, 6; burials, 11; communion, times administered, 9; new communicants, 6; died or removed, 5; present number, 44; Sunday school during summer months, teachers, 8; scholars, average attendance, 35; collections, Bishop White Prayer Book Society, $3 70; Wisconsin Swedish Mission, 8 00; Christmas fund, 3 00; Domestic Missions, 8 00; other purposes, $12 00.

Report of the Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Meadville, Crawford county.

Public services, on Sundays, 60; other days, 8; total, 68; of which, 32 were given to Meadville, 2 to Belle Fonte, 1 to

New Castle, 2 to Greenville, 1 to Evansburg, 15 to Woodcock, 5 to Richmond, 6 to Vernon, and 4 elsewhere. Besides these, I have administered the holy communion once at Woodcock,—and assisted Dr. Carmichael in its administration 8 times, and read prayers for him when he preached about 9 times. For a few Sundays, I had a very interesting Bible class in this neighbourhood, and taught a number of children the catechism. My health has as yet not sufficiently recovered to warrant me in engaging fully in the active duties of the ministry, yet I try to do what I can.

Report of the Rev. Dr. Lyons.

The Rev. Dr. Lyons, as required by the Canon, presents to the Right Rev. the Bishop of Pennsylvania, this report of his ministerial engagements during the past year. Since the last meeting of the Convention, he has officiated seventy-eight times, preached fifty-nine times, and taken a part in administering the Holy Communion on eight different occasions. Dr. Lyons begs to repeat here the statement, which he formerly put forth, "that he has never yet sought or accepted any compensation as a teacher of Christianity."

Report of the Rev. A. A. Marple, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg.

There is no material difference in the affairs of the parish since the time of the last report. As far as general attendance in the sanctuary is concerned, our church can be said to be in a prosperous condition. Services have been held twice every Sunday excepting however 3 or 4 months in the fall and winter, when I was either partially or entirely disabled by an attack of fever. The amount of service performed would have been greater, but for this. I report 2 marriages; the baptism of 5 infants; and 9 burials; communicants added, 3; died or removed, 3; present number about 95. The Sunday school contains from 80 to 100 children; teachers, 20; collections, $47 00.

Report of Rev. J. H. Marsden, Rector of Christ Church, Huntington township, Pa.

Baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 1; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 3, died or removed, 1; marriages, 1; burials, 3.

Report of the Rev. J. Gordon Maxwell, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Kensington Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 3, infants, 16, total, 19; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 20, died or removed, 6, present number, 196; marriages, 17; burials, 11; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 66, total, 170; children catechised, *300*, times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 11, pupils, 154; female, 1, teachers, 24, pupils, 240; total, schools, 2, teachers, 35, pupils, 394; Bible classes, 2, members, 55, taught by the rector during the week; collections, Episcopal fund, $7 00, missionary and other purposes, $211; total, $218 00.

Report of the Rev. Edwin Mendenhall, Rector of St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne County.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 30, children, 25, total, 55; baptisms, adults, 3, children, 4, total, 7; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 4, removed, 3, present number, 20; marriages, 3; burials, 3; public services at Salem, 55; at Jones' settlement, 6; in Stirling, the adjoining township, 26; on other occasions, 3; total, 90; children catechised first Sunday in each month; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 3; female, 4; pupils, 25; collections, for domestic missions, $1 00, for parochial purposes, 3 00. Several visits paid to families who live too distant to attend the services of the church, religious instruction given, and the Lord's supper administered in private.

The services held in Stirling have been well attended, and a good degree of interest manifested. A reasonable prospect of organizing a congregation there.

Our church edifice is up and enclosed, and we hope to have it ready for consecration this fall.

Report of the Rev. Daniel S. Miller, Rector of St. Jude's Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia County.

Since my ordination I have been engaged in the effort to procure the erection of a church in the northern part of Spring Garden, which by God's blessing, through the efficient zeal of the gentlemen interested, has been so far successful, that a parish has been organized under the name of St. Jude's church of which I have been chosen rector, and steps are now tak

for the immediate erection of the building, a large portion of the funds having been subscribed.

In the effort to introduce the church services in this neighborhood and in other engagements, I have preached 52 times, read prayers 62 times, assisted at the communion 11 times; baptisms, 1; burials, 4, besides visiting the poor and sick.

Report of the Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St James' Church, Perkiomen, Montgomery County.

Congregation, families, 56; adults, 200, children, 160, total 360; baptisms, infants, 1, adults, 2, total, 3; confirmed, 6; communicants added, 6, died, 2, present number, about 84; children catechised, times 4, number, 8; marriages, 5; funerals, 10; public services, on Sundays, 52, other days, 3, total, 55; Sunday school, male, 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 40; female, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 30; total, schools, 2, teachers, 10, pupils, 70; collections, Convention fund, $3 53, missionary and other purposes, 30 00; in addition to this three hundred and thirty dollars has been collected to discharge the debt owing on the church building. The whole amount collected the present year $363 53.

The rector of this church regularly performs divine service every Lord's day afternoon, at the Union Church, five miles distant from the parish church. He also has a lecture on Thursday evenings, at the house of Samuel Gumbes, where a room is fitted up for the purpose of divine worship.

Report of the Rev. Tobias H. Michell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie county.

Congregation, families, 25, adults, 58, children, 32, total, 90; communicants added, 1, present number, 27; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 4, total, 108; children catechised, Sunday afternoons, openly in church.

The condition of this parish is much as it was at this period last year. The tendency however is rather to advance than to retrograde.

Report of the Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, Rector of All Saints' Church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 120; adults, 220; children, 180; total, 400: baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 75, total, 76; confirmed, 16; communicants, present number, 85; marriages, 12; burials, 29; public services, on Sundays, 112, other days, 54, total, 166; children catechised, 180, times, 13; Sunday schools, male and female, 1, teachers, 15, scholars, 90; infant school, teachers, 4, pupils, 90; total, schools, 2, teachers, 19, pupils, 180; parochial school, teacher, 1, pupils, 40; Bible class, 1, members, 15; collections, missionary and other purposes, $93,23.

During the past year, the chief strength of the parish has been exerted in building their church, and defraying the current expenses of the parish. Until last January, monthly collections were taken up for the building, and weekly collections are now made, which average a small and steady amount to help in supporting the parish. The church was consecrated on the 27th of last January, free of debt on the building, and we have good hope of being, ere long, self-supporting. During the past year, collections have been made for Foreign and Domestic Missions, for the Seamen's chapel in this port, and for the Sunday schools of the parish. The congregation is increasing steadily, and by the blessing of God, we hope soon to number in our fold, many straying sheep who have come from abroad as members of the same household of faith, but have grown utterly careless of their baptismal privileges.

Report of the Rev. R. U. Morgan, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Reading.

Congregation, families, 67, adults, 223, children, 120, total, 343; baptisms, 9 infants; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 14, died, 1, removed, 6, present number, 104; marriages, 5; burials, 4 adults, 4 children, total, 8; public services, Sundays, 101, other days, 48, total, 149; Sunday schools, 2, male teachers, 14, female, 12, male pupils, 68, female, 76, total, teachers, 26, pupils, 144; the children are catechised by the rector every month, in the Sunday schools; collections, Board of Missions, $67 58; 26 of which contributed by the children of the Sunday schools; Convention fund, 11, enlarging and fur-

nishing the church, about 3,200, other parish objects, 282, total, $3,560 58.

The church edifice, extended in length, 32½ feet, and greatly improved and beautified in the interior arrangements,—was reopened by the Bishop with appropriate services on the 4th Sunday after Epiphany, January 30th.

The congregation is increasing in proportion to our increased accommodations, and the prospects are encouraging.

Report of the Rev. B. Wistar Morris, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland co.

Congregation, families, 23, adults, 65, children, 79, total, 144; baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 18, total, 19; communicants, added, 8, died or removed, 1, present number, 29; burials, 3; marriages, 2; public services, on Sundays, 105, other days, 52, total, 157; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 3, pupils, 12; female, 1, teachers, 8, pupils, 40; total, schools, 2, teachers, 11, pupils, 52; collections, Episcopal fund, $5, Convention fund, 5, Society for the Advancement of Christianity, 6, Convocation fund, 18, Christmas fund, 2 50, for Northumberland Church, 89, missionary and other purposes, 28 17, Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 6; total, $159 67. Of the 105 Sunday services reported, 9 were performed in Milton, 3 in Lewisburg, and the remainder divided between Sunbury and Northumberland.

The services at the latter place have been almost uniformly well attended. On the 20th of October last, the corner stone of a small church edifice, to be called St. Mark's Church, was laid by the Rev. G. W. Natt, of Bellefonte. Since that time, the building has so far progressed, that the congregation are enabled to occupy it, though the interior is still in an unfinished state.

I think that there is a good prospect of reviving the church in Milton. And it is quite important that some plan should be adopted to supply more frequent services there. If a missionary could be supported there for two or three years, to divide his time and labors between Milton and Lewisburg, there is hardly a doubt but that a congregation could be built up in both places.

From the pre-occupation of the ground in my immediate neighborhood, the growth of the church is necessarily slow. But there is still *some* advance. And we have the satisfaction of feeling that our growth is sound and healthy, and instead of fearing the work of time, believe that by God's continued blessing, the lapse of each year will but serve to strengthen attachment to the church, and confirm the conviction that her's are the old and true paths.

Report of the Rev. H. J. Morton, Rector of St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 7, infants, 36, total, 43; confirmed, 20; communicants, added, 30, died or removed, 6, present number, about 300; marriages, 3; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 100, total, 204; children catechised every Sunday afternoon except Communion Sundays; Sunday schools, male, 1, female, 2, total, schools, 3, teachers, 26, pupils, 185; parish day schools, 4 teachers, and about 160 scholars; Bible class, 1, members, 4; collections, Episcopal and Convention fund, $204 83, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 273 90, Missionary, 135 83, other purposes, 1276, total, $1890 56; contributions to parish schools and other donations not recorded on the church books are not included in this report.

Report of the Rev. J. P. Nash, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Phœnixville, Chester co.

Congregation, families, 24, adults, 63, children, 49, total, 112; baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 5, total, 7; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 5, died or removed, 4, present number, 16; marriages, 5; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 90, other days, 5, total, 95; children catechised, times, 10; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 40; collections, Convention fund, $4 60, Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 5 25, missionary and other purposes, 27 17; total, $37 02.

Report of the Rev. Richard Newton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, 900; baptisms, adults, 4, infants, 14, total, 18; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 20, died or removed, 12, present number, 400; marriages, 20; burials, 28; public

services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 130, total, 234; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 13, pupils, 100; female, 1, teachers, 21, pupils, 140; infant pupils, 100; total, schools, 3, teachers, 34, pupils, 340; Bible classes, 3, members, 250; collections, Convention fund, $20 00, Bishop's fund, 150, missionary and other purposes, 2300; total, $2470.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Neville, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 234; baptisms, adults, 5, infants, 22, total, 27; confirmed, 26; communicants, added, 35, died or removed, 24, present number, 329; marriages, 14; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 120, total, 224; children catechised, 4 times; Sunday Schools, male 1, teachers, 18, pupils, 215; female, 1, teachers, 20, pupils, 227; total, schools, 2, teachers, 38, pupils, 442; Bible classes, 2, members, 58; collections, Episcopal fund, $200, Convention fund, 75, Missionary and other purposes, 4116; total, $4391.

Report of the Rev. William Herbert Norris, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland co.

Baptisms, infants, 7; marriages, 5; funerals, 3; communicants, added, 3, died, 2, removed, 6, present number, 42; Sunday school, teachers, 5, pupils, 20: public services, twice on Sundays, once on holy days, daily in Passion Week, and on Wednesday and Friday of the other weeks in Lent; collections, Episcopal fund, $15 00, Convention fund, 6 19, missionary and other purposes, 124 50; total, $145 69.

Report of the Rev. Wm. H. Odenheimer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Phila.

Congregation, families, 250; baptisms, adults, 11, infants, 80; infant baptized in private, 1; total, 92; confirmed, 27; communicants, added, 28, died and removed, 12; present number, 359; marriages, 13; burials, 32; public services, on Sundays, 109, on holy days, 83, on other days, 570, at Christ Church hospital, 27, total, 800; public discourses, sermons, 117, lectures, 30, homilies, 18, at Christ Church hospital, 27, total, 192; the Lord's Supper administered, 51 times, at Christ Church hospital, 6 times, total, 57; children catechised, openly

in the church, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1, teachers, 11, pupils, 93; female, 1, teachers, 30, pupils, 170; infant, 1, teachers, 9, pupils, 104; catechetical classes, 2, teachers, 2, pupils, 32; Bible class, 1, teacher, 1, pupils, 36; day school 1, teachers, 2, pupils, 116; adult school, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 33; collections, special, for missions, in conformity with the Bishop's pastoral letter, $888 56, Society for Advancement of Christianity, 500 00, Bible Committee of Advancement Society, 55 00, Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 100 00, Female Prayer Book Society, 50 00, General Theological Seminary, 50 00, missionary and other purposes, 1717 35; total, $3360 91.

In addition to which sum, there have been distributed in parochial charities, not derived from collections in the church, $854 17.

The many benevolent and charitable applications which are answered by private donations, in preference to the public channel of quarterly collections, and the offertory, render it impossible for the rector to report more than an approximation to the effective pecuniary contributions of the parish.

The church is open for the morning and evening prayer daily throughout the year; for the Litany and a homily at 12 o'clock every Wednesday and Friday during the season of Lent; and for the administration of the Lord's Supper, (and sermon or lecture,) on every holy day, in addition to the first Sunday in the month, Easter-day, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday, and Thanksgiving day.

A new register of the communicants of the parish has been prepared since last report.

Report of the Rev. Frederick Ogilby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 27, total, 29; confirmed, 14; communicants, added, 18, died, 9, removed, 13, total, 236; funerals, 16; public services on Sundays, 116, week days and festivals, 198; children of the parish catechised in church at public service every third Sunday afternoon; Sunday schools, little or no variation from report of last year.

The congregation have obtained a new organ at a cost of $1200, and the interior of the church has been much improved

by the removal of a portion of the gallery. The burden of this necessary expense has somewhat diminished our charitable contributions for the year past.

Report of the Rev. Robert J. Parvin, Rector of Christ Church, Towanda, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 37, adults, 100, children, 50, total, 150; baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 16, total, 17; communicants, added, 2, died or removed, 5, present number, 26; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 61, other days, 12, total, 73; children catechised, 30, times, monthly; Sunday school, 1, teachers, 6, pupils, 30; collections, Society for infirm and disabled clergymen, $5 50, Episcopal fund, 5 00, Foreign missions, 10 00, Domestic missions, 5 00, other purposes, 10 20; total, $35 70.

Above you have my report of ministerial duty at Christ Church, Towanda. I took charge of that church, September 12, 1847, from which time it has been 'self-supporting.' An increasing interest is taken in the church, which I trust may redound to the glory of God in the good of men. I was admitted by you to deacon's orders on the 27th of June last. From that time to the 12th of September, I was engaged in the city of Philadelphia. Have officiated in all since my ordination 100 times, preached 90 times.

Report of the Rev. W. S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' Church, Bristol.

Congregation, families, 70; baptisms, adults, 7, infants, 9, total, 16; confirmed, 9; communicants added, 10, present number, 73; marriages, 4; burials, 15; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 60; Sunday school, 1, scholars, 80, teachers, 16; collections for benevolent purposes, $75 00.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Preston, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, 108; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 35; total, 36; communicants added, 35; died or removed, 22; present number, 204; marriages, 6; burials, 27; children catechised, times, 2; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 27; pupils,

340; Bible class, 1; members, about 60; collections, Episcopal fund, $40 00; other objects, $822 00; total, $862 00.

Several contributions have been made by the congregation to aid in the erection of churches in feeble parishes; and very gratifying progress has likewise been made in the removal of the church debt. The spiritual interests of the parish, I also consider as at present more than usually encouraging. Twelve young persons have during the year been added to our communion from the *S. School*, and others furnish very gratifying evidence of a disposition to seek early in life "those things which are above."

Report of the Rev. A. Prior, Rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, about 400; baptisms, infants, 40; confirmed, 7; communicants added, 8; removed, 4; present number, 60; marriages, 12; burials, 40; public services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 10; total, 106; children catechised, 140; times, 8; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 100; female, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, 90; total, schools, 2; teachers, 19; pupils, 190; Bible class, 1; members, 14; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $54 00.

Report of the Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia County.

Congregation, families, 121; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 79; total, 84; confirmed, 12; communicants added, 21; died or removed, 58; present number, 205; marriages, 25; burials, 44; public services, on Sundays and other days, 142; Sunday school, pupils, 285; teachers, 25; collections, $136 10.

The church is *entirely* free from debt, the last dollar due having been liquidated by the "Ladies' Sewing circle" through means of their sales.

By the wish of the congregation of the Church of the Evangelists, and from the conviction of its friends that free seats without endowment are deceptive in the offer both as to truth or permanency, the pews are now rented. The charge is so moderate as still to keep the Church in the hands of many of those for whom it was originally designed. The sittings are lower in

price than in any Church in this city, expecting to derive its full support from this means. The result is a known and steadfast congregation; stronger identity on the part of the people with the church; more working material; and a larger support from the people, than was ever before derived from them. Its revenue however still falls short of what is needed, though it is hoped that time and a larger church, may remove this difficulty without increasing the rates. The Rector labours as hitherto beyond his proper charge, and the Church thus retains much of its original missionary character.

Report of the Rev. J. Reynolds, Rector of Trinity Church, Carbondale, Luzerne County.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 60; children, 60; total, 120; baptisms, 7; confirmed, 3; communicants, 30; marriages, 2; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 100; other days, 15; total, 115; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 4; scholars, 20; Bible class, 1; members, 7; collections, Episcopal fund, $4 75; Convention fund, $1 00; Missionary Societies, $3 00; other purposes, $100 00; total, $108 75.

The congregation is somewhat reduced in consequence of the removal of several families from the town. The Sunday attendance is still encouraging, and could Missionary aid be afforded so as to enable the minister to visit some places in the neighborhood, the Church would not only be sustained, but considerably extended. May the Lord inspire the disposition to render the requisite assistance.

Report of the Rev. John Rodney, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County.

Communicants added, 35; died, removed, &c., 14; total, 160; baptisms, adults, 14; children, 26; total, 40; confirmed, 25; funerals, 18; marriages, 4; Sunday scholars, 160; teachers, 20; congregation comprises about 500; collections and contributions, for Church and Missionary purposes, 500 00; Improvement of St. Luke's Church, 500 00; total, $1000 00.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Randall, Deacon.

Since my ordination in April, I have preached in all, eight times, in different churches in Philadelphia and Boston; have

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lectured twice; and have read the service several times. Hoping soon to obtain some place in the vineyard of our Lord, where I may statedly labour for him, I am endeavouring to prepare myself for the work by prayer, the study of the scriptures, and the writing of sermons.

Report of the Associate Rector Rev. A. B. Hard, and of the Rev. G. W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, Delaware county.

Baptisms, infants, 20; adult, 1; marriages, 15; burials, 18; communicants deceased, 2; removed, 5; added, 5; present number, 49; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 9; scholars, 80; contributions, Foreign Missions, $30 00; Domestic do. 8 00; Episcopal fund, 2 47; Convention fund, $2 00.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton County.

Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 15; total, 16; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 6; died or removed, 3; present number, 46; marriages, 7; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 94; other days, 24; total, 118; children catechised, 38; times, each Lord's day; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 18; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 20; total, 2; schools, 2; teachers, 6; pupils, 38; collections, Convention fund, $6 15; Missionary and other purposes, 25 69; total, $625 69.

We have the last year taken up but three collections, viz., For Domestic Missions, for the Christmas fund, and for the Convention fund. We have expended the last year for repairs on our Church and parsonage, and for fully liquidating our debts about six hundred dollars: we wish now to make some repairs in the interior of our Church; after it is done, we hope to do more for Missionary purposes. Of the above expenditure, nearly two hundred dollars were collected from friends in New York.

Report of the Rev. Peter Russell, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunck, Carbon county.

Congregation, adults and children, 150; baptisms, infants, 14; total, 14; communicants, died or removed, 2; present number, 22; marriages, 3; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays and other days, 93; children catechised, every third

Sunday morning; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 50. No collections have been made in this parish for the different societies connected with the church during the past year; not because no interest is felt in them, but because we need all the money that can be raised here to complete our church edifice which is now being erected.

The state of the parish is much the same as when I last reported.

Report of the Rev. J. W. Shackelford, Deacon.

The Rev. J. W. Shackelford, deacon, respectfully reports, that since he was admitted to holy orders, he has regularly officiated in St. James's Church, Amesbury, Mass., during the temporary absence of the Rector.

Report of the Rev. O. Evans Shannon, Rector of Grace Church, Honesdale, Wayne county.

Prior to my resignation of the parish of Grace Church, Honesdale, which took place on Easter Monday, I preached on Sundays, 94 times, and held on other days, 37 services. I also baptized 6 infants; solemnized 3 marriages, and attended 14 funerals. Three persons were confirmed when the Bishop visited the Church. The Sunday school was in a flourishing condition, though I am not able now to designate the number of teachers and scholars. In addition to the above services, I preached 16 times in Bethany, a small village 3 miles distant.

Report of the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford township, Pa.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants, 5, total, 7; communicants, about 39; marriages, 5; burials, 20; public service on Sunday mornings in the church, afternoons elsewhere; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 29, Convention Fund, 5 00, domestic missions, 54 97, total, $62 26.

Report of the Rev. Jos. H. Smith, Jr., Rector of Calvary Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 39, adults, 57, children, 50; baptisms, adults, 3, children, 40, total, 43; children received into the congregation having been baptized in private, 4; women

churched, the whole service being used, 2; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 24, died, 1, removed, 2, present number, 21; marriages, 6; burials, 30; public services, on Sundays, 104, other days, 56; holy communion administered, 14 times; children catechised, 130, times, 41; Sunday school, teachers, 20, scholars, 130; Bible class taught by the missionary has 30 members; collections, Foreign and Domestic Missions, $18 00, Floating Chapel of Philadelphia, 10 64, parochial purposes, 234 20; total, $262 84.

The fund now at command for building the Free Church, which is to be the monument to the memory of Bishop White, amounts to somewhat over seven thousand dollars.

Through the continued blessing of God upon our applications for the necessary means, we hope to begin the erection of the church early next year.

Report of the Rev. Richard Smith, Mercer county.

Public services on Sundays at different places, 57; on week days, 15; read prayers, &c., additional, 10 times; baptized 6 children, witnessed the baptism of one adult in this county, attended two convocations, administered the sacrament twice.

Communicants at Trinity Church, New Castle, about 15, at Mercer, 7, at West Greenville, 4, total, 26. I have received nineteen dollars, and applied it to the following purposes. Convention fund, $6 00, disabled clergymen's fund, 6 00, to the Advancement Society, 4 00, to the parish library, 2 00, to the Female Prayer Book Society, 1 00.

Having been absent from the state with leave, I last July, returned and located in Mercer county, and by the authority and direction of the Bishop, have been giving services at different places as my health would allow.

I organized a new parish on Easter Monday last, at New Castle, with favorable prospects, and am encouraged much in other places.

Report of the Rev. H. S. Spackman, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Frankford.

Baptisms, infants, 19; communicants, added, 5, died or removed, 11, present number, 43; marriages, 6; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 116, other days, 18, total, 134;

children catechised, about 80; times, 6; Sunday schools, male 1, teachers, 5, pupils, 77; female, 1, teachers, 10, pupils, 91; total, schools, 2, teachers, 15, pupils, 168; collection, Convention fund, $2 07.

Since my last report the basement of the church has been prepared for the reception of the Sunday schools. An organ of eight stops, built by Mr. Standbridge of the city of Philadelphia, has been purchased, and a convenient gallery for the accommodation of the instrument and the choir erected. The expenses attending these improvements have prevented my asking the extension of the liberality of the congregation to objects without the parish.

Report of the Rev. T. A. Starkey, Missionary, Pottsville, Schuylkill County.

Since the date of my last report, the missionary operations in this portion of the coal region have been conducted with a view to the permanent establishment of the church, in such localities as might seem most favorable. The mission at Woodside has been discontinued for two reasons mainly; first, because of its distance from the centre of operations, which prevented my giving to it the attention necessary to carry it on successfully; and secondly because it seemed to offer no prospect of being a self-supporting station within a reasonable time. Instead of Woodside I have thought it best to give my attention to Mount Laffee, a mining village, four miles from Pottsville, where there is within the circuit of two miles a very large Protestant population without religious services, and where I have the assurance from those most interested, that a church shall be built during the next year.

The services at St. Clair have been regularly conducted during the past year, and early in the spring circumstances appearing to warrant it, a church was organised under the name and title of the "Church of the Holy Apostles." An effort is now being made to obtain the means necessary for the erection of a church, and it is believed that with one capable of seating 350 persons, St. Clair and Mount Laffee would together support a clergyman without any foreign aid. I am happy in being able to say, that a religious feeling is manifesting itself amongst some who attend our services.

During the year, connected with the mission there have been 38 baptisms, all children, one child baptized in private, has been received into church; one woman has been churched; there have been 12 marriages and 12 burials.

I take the liberty of repeating what I said in my last report, that there is an abundant field, and most pressing need for the services of at least two other missionaries in this coal region.

Report of the Rev. K. J. Stewart, Rector of Trinity Church, Connellsville, Fayette co.

Congregation, families, 42, adults, 106, children, 92, total, 198; baptisms, adults, 1, infants, 4, total, 5; confirmed, 10; communicants, added, 2, died or removed, 1, present number, 31; marriages, 3; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 97, other days, 103, total, 200; children catechised, times, 27; Sunday schools, male and female, 2, teachers, 11, pupils, 75; Bible class, 1, members, 11; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $96 80.

Report of the Rev. N. Stam, Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery co.

Congregation, families, about 100; baptisms, infants, 12; communicants, added, 11; died or removed, 5, present number, 126; marriages, 15; burials, 29; public services, on Sundays, 105, other days, 35; total, 140; Sunday schools, 1, teachers, 32, pupils, 200; collections, Episcopal fund, $7, Convention fund, 5, Missionary and other purposes, 150; total, $162 00.

The Rector deems it proper to remark that a large proportion of the burials above reported, were without the congregation,—he has also the pleasure of stating that the general aspect of affairs in the parish are of a decidedly encouraging character.

Report of the Rev. Samuel C. Stratton.

Since the last Convention, I have officiated on 54 occasions, preached 36 sermons, baptised 3 children, administered the holy communion once in private to a sick person, assisted publicly in its administration 11 times, married 1 couple, instructed

on one occasion a Bible class, participated in the examination of two candidates for orders, was present at the admission of two persons to priest's orders, made 10 visits to the sick, and attended 6 funerals.

Report of the Rev. William L. Suddards, Rector of St. Peter's and St. Paul's Church, Chester co.

During the past year, I have resigned the parish of Bangor Church, Churchtown, and accepted calls to the parishes of St. Peter's and St. Paul's in the valley of Chester county. I have preached 104 times, buried 5 persons, married 2 couples, and baptized 3 infants.

In consequence of not receiving from my predecessor, any list of communicants, I am unable at the present time to specify their precise number. The parish of St. Peter's, is making an important addition to the parsonage, which will render it a comfortable and commodious dwelling.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 235; adults, 576; children, 590; total, 1166; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 48; total, 51; confirmed, 13; communicants added, 18; died or removed, 34; present number, 514; marriages, 25; burials, 23; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 100; total, 204; children catechised monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 20; pupils, 148; female, 1; teachers, 34; pupils, 315; total, schools, 2; teachers, 54; pupils, 463; Bible classes, 3; members, 38; collections, Episcopal fund, $150 00; Convention fund, 50 00; Missionary and other purposes, 3000 00; total, $3200 00.

Report of the Rev. M. R. Talbot, Chaplain in the Navy of the United States.

Since my last report, I have not been called into active duty by the Government. My time has been occupied in preaching and otherwise assisting my ministerial brethren. I have also baptized several children.

Report of the Rev. Charles West Thompson, Rector of Calvary Church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

Baptisms, all infants, 6; communicants added, 5; died, 1;

present number, 50; marriages, 2; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 32; children catechised, 3 times; Sunday school, teachers, male, 5; female, 9; total, 14; scholars, male, 47; female, 38; total, 95; Bible class, members about 20; collections, Convention fund, $5 00; Episcopal fund, 5 00; other purposes, 50 00; total, $60 00.

The present Rector took charge of the parish early in January of the present year; the above report embraces his services between that period and the meeting of the Convention.

Report of the Rev. Henry Tullidge, Rector of St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 65; adults, 157; children, 135; total, 292; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants added, 3; died, 1; present number, 54; marriages, 3; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 62; other days, 5; total, 67; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 7; pupils about 40; children catechised, every Sunday in the Sunday school during the summer. Collections, for Domestic Missions, $10 00; Foreign Missions, 7 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 6 00; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 3 25; Episcopal fund, 4 18; Convention fund, 3 50; total, $33 93.

The prospects of this church were never more encouraging than at present. The congregation during the past year was much larger than during the year previous, and I think more interest was manifested in the services. There has been an improvement in the contributions to church objects, which we trust will not be receded from, but increased in years to come. During the winter, upwards of $400 00 was raised by subscription for the purchase of a new and excellent organ which has already proved an invaluable help in the sacred work of praising God.

Report of the Rev. George Upfold, D. D. Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 54; total, 55; communicants added, 18; died or removed, 20; present number, 218; marriages, 12; burials, 25; public services, on Sundays, 100; other days, 49; total, 149; children catechised, 20; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 60; female, 1; teachers,

10; pupils, 100; total, schools, 2; teachers, 16; pupils, 160; collections, Episcopal fund, $80 00; Convention fund, 20 00; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 134 00; Missionary and other purposes, 478 00; total, $772 00.

Report of the Rev. P. Van Pelt, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

I have performed divine service on 45 occasions; preached 26 times; baptized 13 children; officiated at 5 funerals; solemnized 3 marriages; administered the Lord's Supper twice in private; met a Bible class on every Sunday morning since the first of October last; made upwards of 450 parochial visits; attended to my duties as Secretary of the "Board of Missions;" and, from the first of the present month, been acting as Secretary and General Agent of the Executive Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Society for the promotion of Evangelical knowledge.

Report of the Rev. John A. Vaughan.

On the 15th of November last, the undersigned retired from the Institution for the Blind, where he had acted as Principal for nearly three years. In January he took charge of an infant parish, organized previously as the Church of the Mediator, in the south-west part of the city. Here he found a flourishing Sunday school of more than 100 scholars, (then in existence one year,) and since continued with increasing interest. An evening service had been sustained for a few weeks, nearly a year before, but had ceased when the pastor, Rev. S. A. Clark, retired from the diocese. An afternoon service was commenced on the 23d of January, and has been continued without interruption.

The following records were made by the Rev. S. A. Clark, but not as yet reported, viz. Baptisms, adult 1, children, 9; marriage, 1; burials, 3. The undersigned has baptized 5 children.

Beside the above, he has since the last Convention frequently aided in the service in several churches, and preached seventeen times.

Report of the Rev. Wm. White, Rector of St. Peter's Church, in Butler, Butler County.

Congregation, families, 46; adults, 108; children, 66; total, 174; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 5; total, 6; confirmed, 1; communicants added, 3; died or removed, 2; present number, 51; marriages, 3; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 86; other days, 10; total, 96; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; collections, Episcopal fund, $4 20; Missionary and other purposes, 38 22; total, $42 42.

Report of the Rev. C. Wiltberger, Rector of Grace Church, Hulmeville; St. Luke's Church, Newtown; St. Andrew's Church, Yardleyville; and Trinity Church, Centreville, Buck's County.

GRACE CHURCH, HULMEVILLE.

Congregation, families, 13; adults, 45; children, 20; total, 65; communicants, removed, 1; present number, 15; public services, on Sundays, 18; other days, 2; total, 20; collection, Convention fund, 40 cents; Sunday school teachers, 7; pupils, 20.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 50: children, 20: total, 70; communicants, removed, 1; present number, 8; public services, on Sundays, 22; other days, 4; total, 26; collection, Convention fund, 68 cents; Sunday school, teachers, 6; pupils, 30.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, YARDLEYVILLE.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 50; children, 20; total, 70; communicants, removed, 4; added, 2; present number, 12; baptisms, adult, 1; children, 3; total, 4; burials, 1; marriages, 5; confirmations, 2; Sunday school, teachers, 6; pupils, 30; public services, on Sundays, 31; other times, 22; total, 53.

TRINITY CHURCH, CENTREVILLE.

Congregation, families, 9; adults, 30; children, 20; total, 50; communicants, died or removed, 2; added, 1; present number, 7; confirmed, 1; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 40; public services, on Sundays, 25; other days, 3; total, 28.

During several months of the past year I was from home as an Agent of the Pennsylvania Colonization Society, at which time my pulpits were mostly supplied by my brethren of the Clergy, particularly the Rev. Samuel C. Stratton. In spiritual matters, I have been much encouraged; in temporals, much discouraged.

Report of the Rev. T. C. Yarnall, Rector of St. Mary's Church, West Philada.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 100; children, 112; total, 212; baptisms, infants, 8; total, 8; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 5; died, 1; removed, 23; present number, 84; marriages, 5; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 25; total, 129; children catechised, about 40; times, 4; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 87; collections, Episcopal fuud, $25 10; Convention fund, 9 88; other purposes, 282 85; total, $317 83.

Report of the Rev. E. Woodward, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook, Chester County.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WEST VINCENT.

Congregation, families, 60; communicants added, 2; present number, 62; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 50; other days, 2; in school houses, 12; total, 64; Sunday school, 1; collections Convention fund, $3 16; Missionary and other purposes, $10 00; total, $13 16.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HONEYBROOK.

This Congregation is composed of about 60 families, and parts of families; communicants added, 1; present number, 33; public services, on Sundays, 45; other days, 1; in school-houses within the bounds of the parish, 5; total, 51; collection for Domestic Missions, $5 00.

In the month of March last, I accepted a call from the Vestry of St. Mary's Church, Warwick Township, to the Rectorship of that parish, and commenced my labours accordingly on the second Sunday in April. I have since occupied that Church in connection with St. Andrew's. St. Mark's being supplied by the Rev. James A. Woodward.

Report of the Rev. C. B. Wyatt, Rector of St. James the Less' Church, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, about 200; baptisms, infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6; confirmed, 16; communicants added, 16; present number, 35; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 21; other days, 17; total, 38; children catechised every Sunday by the Rector; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 50; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 60; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $308 25.

Report of the Rev. H. Hastings Weld, Rector of St. James' Church, Chester co.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 75; children, 60; total, 135; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 5; total, 6; confirmed, 3; communicants added, 6; removed, 3; present number, 20; burials, 5; public services on Sundays, 97; in a neighbouring vacant parish, and at Missionary stations, 14; other days, 11; total, 132; children catechised, 50; times, 11; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 22; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 38; total, schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, 60; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 00; Domestic Missions, 3 00; Books for Sunday school, 12 50; Communion and other purposes, 10 50; Parochial expenses, 56 00; total, $84 00.

The collections are in this Church an important item in paying the salary of the Rector, and the ordinary expenses, as the pew rents are insufficient. In addition to the punctual payment of the pew rent, and to the above collections, there have been raised in the parish one hundred dollars toward the extinguishment of the debt on the church building: and a most commendable spirit exists in favor of speedily removing the remainder: an object in which we have been much encouraged by our friends of different denominations, resident in the village: while to the support of the Rector, the Missionary Society of St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia, contributes a sum equal to that raised in the parish. Altogether there is abundant reason with us to be grateful in hope.

This Report was received too late for insertion in its proper place.

Report of the Rev. G. W. Natt, Rector of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre co.

Congregation, adults, 74, children, 80; total, 154; baptisms, adults, 6, infants, 12; total, 18; communicants, added, 7, removed, 5, present number, 34; marriages, 3; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 108, other days, 69; total, 177; children catechised, about 40, monthly; Sunday school, teachers, 5, pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $4, Society for Adv. Christianity, 13, Missionary and other purposes, $140 80.

LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Adams County.

Christ church, Huntingdon township.

Allegheny County.

Trinity church, City of Pittsburg.
St. Andrew's church, City of Pittsburg.
Christ church, Allegheny.
St. John's church, Lawrenceville.
St. Paul's church, Laceyville.

Armstrong County.

St. Paul's church, Kittaning.
Trinity church, Freeport.

Beaver County.

Georgetown church, Georgetown.
St. Paul's church.
St. Peter's church, Beaver Falls.

Berks County.

St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin.
Christ church, Reading.
St. Thomas' church, Morgantown.

Bradford County.

St. Matthew's church, Pike.
Christ church, Towanda.
St. Paul's church, Troy.

Bucks County.

St. James the Greater's church.
St. Luke's church, Newtown.
St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville.
Grace church, Hulmeville.
Trinity church, Centreville.
St. Paul's church, Doylestown.

Butler County.

St. Peter's church, Butler.

Carbon County.

St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk.

Centre County.

Trinity church, Phillipsburg.
St. John's church, Bellefonte.

Chester County.

St. John's church, New London township.
St. Mary's church, Warwick township.
St. Peter's church, Great Valley.
St. John's church, Pequea.
St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township.
St. Andrew's church, West Vincent.
St. Mark's church, Honeybrook.
Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.
St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.
St. James' church, Downingtown.

Columbia County.

St. Gabriel's church, Sugarloaf township.
St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg.
Christ church, Madison, Jerseytown.
Christ church, Danville.
Trinity church, Orangeville.

Crawford County.

Christ church, Meadville.

Cumberland County.

St. John's church, Carlisle.

Dauphin County.

St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Delaware County.

St. Paul's church, Chester.
St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook.
St. John's church, Concord township.
St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor.
Calvary church, Rockdale.

Erie County.

St. Paul's church, Erie.
St. Peter's church, Waterford.

Fayette County.

Christ church, Brownsville.
Grace church, Menalen.
St. Peter's church, Uniontown.
Trinity church, Connelsville.

Huntingdon County.

St. John's church, Huntingdon.
Christ church, Holidaysburg.

Indiana County.

St. Peters' church, Blairsville.

Lancaster County.

St. James' church, Lancaster.
Christ church, Leacock.
Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown.
All Saints' church, Paradise.

Luzerne County.

St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.
Trinity church, Carbondale.

Lycoming County.

St. James' church, Muncy.
St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore.
Christ church, Williamsport.

Mifflin County.

St. Mark's church, Lewistown.

Montgomery County.

St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township.
St. James' church, Perkiomen township.
St. John's church, Norristown.
Christ church, Pottstown.
Swedes' church, Upper Merion.

Northampton County.

Trinity church, Easton.

Northumberland County.

St. Matthew's church, Sunbury.

Philadelphia County.

Christ church, Philadelphia.
St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.
St. James' church, Philadelphia.
St. Paul's church, Philadelphia.
St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia.
St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia.
Grace church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.
St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.
Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia.
St. John's church, Northern Liberties.
Advent church, Northern Liberties.
St. Mark's church, Moyamensing.
All Saints' church, Moyamensing.
Church of the Evangelists, Southwark.
Trinity church, Southwark.
Church of the Messiah, Southwark.
Gloria Dei church, Southwark.
Church of the Crucifixion.
St. Philip's church, Spring Garden.
Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.
Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden.
Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond.
St. James' church, Kingsessing.
St. Matthew's church, Francisville.
St. James the Less church, North Penn township.
All Saints' church, Lower Dublin township.
Emanuel church, Holmesburg.
Trinity church, Oxford township.
St. Mark's church, Frankford.
St. Luke's church, Germantown.
St. Mark's church, Mantua, Blockley township.
Emanuel church, Kensington.
St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia.
St. David's church, Manayunk.

Schuylkill County.

Trinity church, Pottsville.
St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.
St. Paul's church, Minersville.

Susquehanna County.

St. Andrew's church, Springville.
St. Mark's church, New Milford.
St. Paul's church, Montrose.

Tioga County.

St. Paul's church, Wellsborough.
Christ church, Blossburg.

Washington County.

Trinity church, Washington.

Wayne County.

Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish.
Truth church, Bethany.
St. John's church, Salem.

Westmoreland County.

Christ church, Greensburg.

York County.

St. John's church.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

MAY 18th, 1848.

The Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, Philadelphia.

Rev. Joseph Adderly.

Rev. William Adderly, Missionary at Fallstown, and St. Paul's, Beaver county.

Rev. Thomas G. Allen, Missionary in the city and county of Philadelphia.

Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' church, Lower Dublin, and Christ Chapel, Oak Grove. P. O., Bridgwater, Bucks county.

Rev. James Bonnar, Philadelphia.

Rev. William H. Bourns, Rector of Emanuel church, Holmesburg, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Samuel Bowman, D. D., Rector of St. James' church, Lancaster.

Rev. George Boyd, D. D., Rector of St. John's church, N. Liberties, Philadelphia.

Rev. Charles Breck, Missionary at Wellsboro', Tioga county.

Rev. Edw. Y. Buchanan, Rector of Christ church, Leacock, and All Saints' church, Paradise, Lancaster county. P. O., Paradise.

Rev. Levi Bull, D. D., Rector of Bangor church, Churchtown, and St. Thomas' church, Morgantown. P. O., Marsh, Chester county.

Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D. D., Rector of Christ church, Meadville, Crawford county.

Rev. T. S. Carpenter, Missionary in Lancaster county. P. O., East, Lancaster county.

Rev. John A. Childs, Rector of St. David's, Radnor.

Rev. Samuel A. Clark, Rector of the Church of the Advent, N. L. Philadelphia.

Rev. Wm. J. Clark, Rector of Christ church, Williamsport.

Rev. Jehu C. Clay, D. D., Rector of the Swedes' church, Gloria Dei, Southwark.

Rev. J. B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

Rev. Wm. Clotworthy, Missionary in Philipsburg and Clearfield county. P. O., Philipsburg.

Rev. J. Howland Coit, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Rev. John Coleman, D. D., Rector of Trinity church, Philadelphia.

Rev. John B. Colhoun, M. D., residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Asa S. Colton, Rector of St. Matthew's church, Pike, Bradford county.

Rev. Wm. C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity church, Pottsville.

Rev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ church, Brownsville.

Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ church, Allegheny. P. O., Pittsburg.

Rev. Robert Davis, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Thos. J. Davis, Philadelphia.

Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Missionary at Whitemarsh, Montgomery county. P. O., Germantown.

Rev. Benjamin Dorr, D. D., Rector of Christ church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Benjamin J. Douglass, Deacon, assisting the Rector of St. Matthew's church, Francisville.

Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. William Douglass, Rector of St. Thomas' (African) church, Philadelphia.

Rev. G. C. Drake, Rector of St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.

Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Chas. M. Dupuy, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Geo. E. Durborow, Missionary at the Church of the Redemption, Philadelphia.

Rev. Heman Dyer, President of Western University.

Rev. Rees C. Evans, Minister of Zion church, Tuscarora, Schuylkill county.

Rev. Geo. C. Fields, Minister of St. John's church, Huntingdon.

Rev. Wm. Flint, M. D., Rector of St. Paul's church, Erie, Erie county.

Rev. James H. Fowles, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia.

Rev. Caleb T. Good, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Richard D. Hall, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Anson B. Hard, Rector of St. Martin's church, Marcus Hook.

Rev. Nathaniel Sayre Harris, Rector of the Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.

Rev. G. Emlen Hare, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's church, Francisville, Philadelphia county, and Principal of the Protestant Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia.

Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond.

Rev. Henry T. Hiester, Rector of St. Mark's church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Rev. William J. Hilton, Missionary at Kittaning and Freeport, Armstrong county.

Rev. William S. Hinds, Philadelphia.

Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of St. John's church, York, York county.

Rev. George P. Hopkins, Missionary at Doylestown, and parts adjacent. P. O., Germantown.

Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, Missionary at Minersville, Schuylkill county.

Rev. M. A. De Wolfe Howe, Rector of St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Benj. S. Huntington, P. O., Village Green, Delaware.

Rev. B. Hutchins, Philadelphia.

Rev. Joseph Jaquett, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Edward C. Jones, officiating as Missionary in Southwark.

Rev. Norris M. Jones, Rector of St. Peter's church, Uniontown.

Rev. John J. Kerr, Philadelphia.

Rev. George Kirke, Rector of St. John's church, New London X Roads, and officiating also at West Marlborough, Chester county. P. O., Downingtown, Chester county.

Rev. Freeman Lane, Troy, Bradford county.

Rev. Edmund Leaf, Rector of Christ church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and St. Gabriel's church, Douglasville, (Morlattin,) Berks county.

Rev. Edward N. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swedes') church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county. P. O., Norristown.

Rev. John Long, Missionary at Montrose, and New Milford, Susquehanna county.

Rev. Milton C. Lightner, Rector of Christ church, Danville, Columbia county.

Rev. Samuel T. Lord, residing at Meadville.

Rev. James G. Lyons, LL.D., Philadelphia.

Rev. John H. Marsden, Rector of Christ church, Adams county. P. O., York Springs.

Rev. B. Augustus Marple, Rector of St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg, Columbia county.

Rev. John Gordon Maxwell, Rector of Emanuel church, Kensington, Philadelphia.

Rev. Edward Mendenhall, Missionary at Salem, Wayne county.

Rev. Tobias Harper Michell, M.D., Missionary at Waterford, Erie county.

Rev. Geo. D. Miles, Rector of St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.

Rev. Daniel S. Miller, Rector of St. Jude's church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. James' church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county. P. O., Perkiomen Bridge.

Rev. Richard U. Morgan, D. D., Rector of Christ church, Reading.

Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, Rector of All Saints' church, Moyamensing.

Rev. B. Wistar Morris, Rector of St. Matthew's church, Sunbury.

Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., Rector of St. James' church, Philadelphia.

Rev. J. P. Nash, Rector of St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.

Rev. G. W. Natt, Rector of St. John's church, Belle Fonte, Centre county.

Rev. E. Neville, D. D., Rector of St. Philip's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Richard Newton, Rector of St. Paul's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. W. H. Norris, Rector of St. John's church, Carlisle.

Rev. William H. Odenheimer, Rector of St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Frederick Ogilby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.

Rev. Thomas J. Parvin, Rector of Christ church, Towanda.

Rev. William S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' church, Bristol.

Rev. William Preston, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Pittsburg.

Rev. Azariah Prior, Rector of St. David's church, Manayunk, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Philadelphia.

Rev. Samuel Randall, Deacon, Philadelphia.

Rev. John Reynolds, Rector of Trinity church, Carbondale.

Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Paul's church, Delaware county.

Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

Rev. J. M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity church, Easton.

Rev. Peter Russell, Missionary at Mauch Chunk, Carbon co.

Rev. J. W. Shackleford, Deacon, officiating in Massachusetts.

Rev. Owen Evans Shannon.

Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity church, Oxford, Philadelphia county. P. O., Frankford, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Joseph H. Smith, Missionary in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Rev. Barclay A. Smith.

Rev. Henry S. Spackman, Rector of St. Mark's church, Frankford.

Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, Missionary in the mining districts near Pottsville.

Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's church, Norristown.

Rev. K. J. Stewart, Missionary at Connelsville and parts adjacent, Fayette county.

Rev. Samuel C. Stratton, residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. William Suddards, Rector of Grace church, Philadelphia.

Rev. William L. Suddards, Deacon, Rector of St. Paul's, West Whiteland, and St. Peter's, Great Valley.

Rev. Mortimer K. Talbot, Chaplain in U. S. Navy.

Rev. C. West Thompson, Rector of Calvary church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

Rev. Richard S. Trapier, Deacon, Philadelphia.

Rev. Henry Tullidge, Rector of St. John's church, Pequea.

Rev. George Upfold, D.D., Rector of Trinity church, Pittsburg.

Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Assistant to the Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, and Secretary of the Board of Missions, Philadelphia.

Rev. John A. Vaughan, D.D., Rector of the Episcopal Female Institute, Philadelphia, and Minister of the Church of the Mediator.

Rev. H. Hastings Weld, Rector of St. James' church, Downingtown.

Rev. William White, Missionary at Butler and parts adjacent.

Rev. Bird Wilson, D.D., LL.D., Professor in the General Theological Seminary, New York.

Rev. Christian Willberger, Jr., Rector of St. Andrew's, Yardleyville, and officiating at Centreville, Helmeville, and Newtown, Bucks county.

Rev. Charles Williams, D.D., residing in Philadelphia.

Rev. Enos Woodward, Rector of St. Andrew's, West Vincent, and St. Mark's, Honeybrook.

Rev. James A. Woodward, Assistant Minister of St. Mark's, Honeybrook, Chester county.

Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt, Rector of St. James the Less, Penn Township, Philadelphia county.

Rev. Thomas C. Yarnall, Rector of St. Mary's church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county.

The foregoing list, containing the names of one hundred and twenty-nine clergymen, is corrected to this date.

ALONZO POTTER.

May 19*th*, 1848.

Dr. The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in

1847.			Dolls.	C.
May 21	To cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter in full of travelling expenses on Episcopal visitations to 11 May inst.		171	77
	To cash paid the following clergymen in part of their travelling expenses in attending the Convention.			
	Rev. Joshua N. Rogers,	$ 6 00		
	" A. S. Colton,	11 50		
	" J. W. Hoffman,	4 50		
	" Wm. J. Clark,	8 00		
	" E. Mendenhall,	5 00		
	" Freeman Lane,	13 00		
	" Wm. Hilton,	15 00		
	" H. Tullidge,	2 50		
	" H. Dyer,	19 00		
	" O. Evans Shannon,	8 50		
	" Geo. C. Drake,	4 50		
	" Peter Russell,	5 00		
	" Samuel T. Lord,	20 00		
	" John Long,	11 00		
	" Wm. White,	17 00		
	" Geo. W. Natt,	10 50		
	" K. J. Stewart,	14 50		
	" C. A. Foster,	9 62		
	" Tobias H. Michell,	25 00		
	" Edmund Leaf,	2 50		
	" Enos Woodward,	1 75		
	" Edward Y. Buchanan,	2 50		
	" H. T. Heister,	7 50		
	" M. C. Lightner,	10 00		
	" Geo. Kirke,	1 25		
	" M. Hirst,	3 75		
	" S. Cowell,	15 75		
			255	12
June 2	To cash paid G. M. Wharton, Esq., Secretary of the Convention, postages, &c.,		3	00
July 13	" King & Baird for printing Journal of Convention for 1847,		179	25
	Amount carried forward,		609	14

Pennsylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. Cr.

1847.				Dolls.	C.
May 11	By balance per account rendered—cash in hands of the Treasurer,			90	65
13	By cash contribution,	St. James' ch. Philadelphia,		54	21
14	" "	St. Andrew's ch. "		60	06
17	" "	Grace ch. "		63	44
	" "	St. John's ch. N. L.		9	17
18	" "	St. Paul's ch. Philadelphia,		25	60
	" "	St. Philip's ch. "		50	00
21	" "	St. Peter's ch. "		75	00
	" "	Christ ch. Brownsville,	$ 6 00		
	" "	Christ ch. Reading,	10 00		
	" "	St. Martin's ch. Marcus Hook,	5 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Carlisle,	10 00		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Minersville	5 00		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. Mauch Chunk,	2 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Norristown,	5 83		
	" "	Grace ch. Hulmeville,	50		
	" "	St. Luke's ch. Newtown,	1 17		
	" "	St. James' ch. Schuy. Haven,	5 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Freeport,	3 15		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Kittaning,	3 81		
	" "	Christ ch. Danville,	12 00		
	" "	St. Mary's ch. Chester Co.,	3 36		
	" "	St. Peter's ch. Butler,	3 40		
	" "	St. Thomas ch. Morgantown,	1 25		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. West Whiteland,	2 00		
	" "	St. Luke's ch. Germantown,	6 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Bellefont,	3 00		
	" "	Emanuel ch. Holmesburg,	4 00		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Laceyville,	4 00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Perkiomen,	5 00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Kingessing,	5 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Pequa,	3 50		
	" "	St. James' ch. Muncy,	6 66		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. New Milford,	2 25		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Montrose,	75		
	" "	Grace ch. Honesdale,	10 00		
	" "	All Saint's ch. Philadephia,	5 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Carbondale,	1 75		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Bradford Co.,	2 50		
	" "	St. Mary's ch. West Phila.,	14 07		
	" "	St. John's ch. Salem,	2 37		
	" "	St. James' ch. Lancaster.	15 40		
	" "	Christ ch. Towanda,	2 20		
	" "	Trinity ch. Connelsville,	2 25		
	" "	Christ ch. Williamsport,	5 17		
	" "	Trinity ch. Easton,	6 19		
	" "	St. John's ch. York,	2 00		
	" "	St. Mathew's ch. Sunbury,	7 00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Bristol,	3 37		
				198	40
	Amount carried forward,			615	87

Dr. The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in

		Dolls.	C.
1847.	Amount carried forward,	609	14
Aug. 20	To cash paid Jos. S. Siddall for transcribing the minutes of the proceedings of the Conventions in 1846 and 1847,	25	00
Sep. 6	" R. F. Hill, Sexton of St. Andrew's church, for expenses and his services in attending the Annual Convention in May last,	33	43
Oct. 25	" G. G. Vannagenen, Treasurer of the General Convention for the quota due to that body from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, for contingent expenses,	128	00
29	" Rev. Levi Bull, his expenses as a delegate to the General Convention,	16	50
1848. Feb. 1	" R. F. Hill, Sexton of St. Andrew's church, for services rendered to Standing Committee, 1847,	8	00
Mar. 10	" G. D. Jones for book case per order of the Standing Committee.	28	00
22	" Wm. Murphy for services rendered per order of Secretary of Convention,	5	00
May 8	To balance on hand,	171	49
		1024	56

We have examined the above account and found it correct.

M. A. DE WOLF HOWE, } *Com. of the Standing Com.*
JOHN WELSH, Jr.

Pennsylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. Cr.

1847.					Dolls.	C.
	Amount brought forward,				615	87
May 21	By cash contribution,	St. Martin's ch. Marcus Hook,	8	06		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Chester,	11	56		
	" "	All Saint's ch. Lancaster Co.,	7	50		
	" "	St. Andrew's ch. West Vincent,	2	38		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. Honeybrook,	2	06		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. Lewistown,	4	40		
	" "	Gloria Dei ch. Southwark,	10	60		
	" "	Radnor ch. Delaware Co.,	2	98		
	" "	Trinity ch. Oxford,	4	75		
	" "	St. John's ch. New London,	4	00		
	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Harrisburg,	13	50		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Wellsboro',	5	00		
	" "	Christ ch. Pottstown,	3	50		
	" "	Advent ch. N. Liberties,	10	59		
	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Wilkesbarre,	12	37		
	" "	Trinity ch. Pittsburgh,	20	00		
	" "	Christ ch. Leacock,	5	00		
	" "	St. Peter's ch. Waterford,	1	00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Pottsville,	6	25		
Aug. 21	" "	St. James' ch. Schy. Haven,	3	65		
Sep. 29	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Phila.,	25	00		
30	" "	Grace ch. do.	25	00		
Oct. 2	" "	Christ ch. do.	50	00		
11	" "	St. Andrew's ch. do.	25	00		
Nov. 2	" "	St. James' ch. Lancaster,	20	00		
Dec. 2	" "	St. Philip's ch. Phila.,	25	00		
Apr. 19	" "	St. Luke's ch. do.	50	00		
May 6	" "	Church of Epiphany, do.	50	00		
					408	49
					1024	36
8	By balance on hand,				171	49

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 8, 1848.

Dr. **Thomas Robins, Treasurer of the Convention,**

1847.				Dolls.	C.
May 11	To balance cash in hands of Treasurer this day,			245	11
18	To cash from St. Luke's ch. Germantown,		$10 00		
	" " St. Peter's ch. Butler,		3 50		
	" " St. John's ch. Pequa,		3 50		
	" " All Saints' ch. Philadelphia city,		8 42		
	" " St. Mary's ch. West Philadelphia,		6 09		
	" " St. James' ch. Lancaster,		20 06		
	" " St. Mark's ch. Lewistown,		6 24		
	" " Christ ch. Meadville,		8 06		
	" " Trinity ch. Pittsburg,		56 00		
Nov. 13	" " Mrs. Camac, her annual payment, for 1847,		5 00		
Dec. 27	" " St. Stephen's ch. Philadelphia,		28 81		
28	" " St. James' ch. do.		50 00		
	" " Christ ch. do.		39 23		
30	" " Trinity ch. Pittsburg,		54 00		
	" " St. Mathew's ch. Sunbury,		2 50		
	" " St. John's ch. Huntingdon,		2 00		
31	" " St. Luke's ch. Philadelphia,		99 25		
	" " St. John's ch. Bellefont,		5 00		
1848.	" " Trinity ch. Easton,		11 39		
Jan. 5	" " St. James' ch. Perkiomen,		4 37		
6	" " Christ ch. Towanda,		5 50		
	" " Gloria Dei ch. Southwark,		5 00		
10	" " St. Andrew's ch. Philadelphia,		25 00		
	" " Christ ch. Danville,		10 00		
11	" " Interest on investment,			70	50
18	" " St. Paul's ch. West Whiteland,		2 00		
	" " Christ ch. Upper Merion,		3 00		
20	" " St. James' ch. Schuylkill Haven,		3 90		
28	" " Trinity ch. Southwark,		17 56		
Feb. 11	" " Mrs. F. Markoe's annual contribu'n,		5 00		
Mar. 18	" " Christ ch. Meadville,		10 00		
Apr. 24	" " Mrs. E. B. Camac annual sub.,			5	00
	" " Emanuel ch. Holmesburg,		6 05		
29	" " Church of the Atonement, Phila.,		30 00		
				546	43
				867	04
May 9	To balance in hands of Treasurer,			267	04

in account with the Fund, for infirm and disabled Clergymen. Cr.

1847.		Dolls.	C.
June 1	By cash paid Rev. Robert Davis,	50	00
Aug. 11	" " Richard Smith,	50	00
Sep. 18	" " Samuel T. Lord,	125	00
25	" " Robert Davis,	50	00
Nov. 23	" " Richard Smith,	50	00
Dec. 2	" " Robert Davis,	50	00
1848.			
Feb. 2	" " Richard Smith,	50	00
Mar. 2	" " Robert Davis,	50	00
Apr. 19	" " Samuel T. Lord.	125	00
May 9	By balance in hands of Treasurer,	267	04
		867	04

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*
Philadelphia, May 9, 1848.

We have examined the above account, compared it with the vouchers and found it correct, the balance in the Treasurer's hands being two hundred and sixty-seven dollars four cents, and the investments fifteen hundred dollars in city five per cents.

JOHN WELSH, Jr. } *Committee.*
WM. H. NEWBOLD, }

Philadelphia, May 9, 1848.

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,**

1847.			Dolls.	C.
May 11	To Balance due the Treasurer as by his last annual account,		134	93
24	Discount upon uncurrent notes,			50
Sep. 7	Salary paid to Bishop Potter due Aug. 23,	875 00		
Nov. 23	" " on ac't, " " this date,	650 00		
Dec. 31	" " in full, " " Nov. 23,	225 00		
1848.				
Feb. 23	" " " " this date,	875 00		
May 1	" " " " May 23,	875 00		
			1750	00
9	Balance in hands of the Treasurer,		123	67
	Amount carried over,		3758	19

in account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. Cr.

1847.				Dolls.	C.
	By contributions from Parishes for the Episcopal Fund:				
May 20	Trinity church, Pottsville,		10 84		
	St. Mark's church, Lewistown,		3 00		
	Christ church, Danville,		17 00		
22	Advent church, Philadelphia,		10 60		
	St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk,		4 00		
	St. John's church, Norristown,		7 73		
	St. Peter's church, Butler,		3 00		
	St. Mary's church, Chester county,		7 46		
	St. Thomas church, Morgantown,		5 54		
	St. Pauls church, West Whiteland,		3 00		
	St. Luke's church, Germantown,		12 00		
	St. John's church, Bellefonte,		7 25		
	Emanuel church, Holmesburg,		7 10		
	St. James' church, Kingsessing,		5 00		
	Christ church, Reading,		30 00		
	St. John's church, Pequa,		3 00		
	Grace church, Honesdale,		8 00		
	All Saints' church, Philadelphia county,		8 76		
	St. James' church, Lancaster,		25 70		
	Christ church, Williamsport,		5 74		
	St. John's church, York,		10 00		
	Emanuel church, Kensington,		5 00		
	St. Mark's church, Lewistown,		3 75		
	Trinity church, Oxford,		5 41		
	St. Philip's church, Philadelphia,		50 00		
	St. Paul's church, Willsboro,		10 00		
	St. David's church, Radnor,		3 14		
	St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre,		17 05		
	St. John's church, New London,		4 00		
Aug. 20	Trinity church, Pittsburg, for 1846–7,		80 00		
Nov. 29	All Saints' church, Paradise,		7 28		
Dec. 30	St. Luke's church, Philadelphia,		32 81		
1848.					
Jan. 4	Christ church, Leacock,		3 75		
Apr. 11	Gloria Dei church, Southwark,		10 00		
19	St. Luke's church, Philadelphia,		44 57		
27	St. Mathew's church, Sunbury,		5 00		
	Mrs. M. P. Mills, Jersey Town, Columbia Co.,		50		
May 1	St. Peter's church, Butler,	$4 20			
	less postage 20 cts., dis. 50 cts	70			
			3 50		
				480	45
	Special contributions towards the Bishop's salary:				
May 13	By am't from St. James' Church, Phila.,		150 00		
	" " St. Peter's " "		150 00		
June 22	" " St. Paul's " "	$75 00			
Dec. 29	" " " " "	75 00			
			150 00		
				450	
	Amount carried forward,			930	45

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,**

Total Amount brought forward, . .	$3758 19

The undersigned appointed by the Standing Committee, do certify that they have examined the foregoing account, and found the same correct.

They also have examined the certificates of stock in which the fund is invested, and found the same to amount to nineteen thousand six hundred and eighty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents, ($19,689 36.)

T. M. PETTIT,
RICH. S. SMITH.

Philadelphia, May 9, 1848.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania is invested in five per cent. Stock of the State of Pennsylvania, and amounts at this time to nineteen thousand six hundred and eighty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents, and in cash one hundred and twenty-three dollars sixty-seven cents.

JAMES S. SMITH,
G. M. WHARTON,
THOMAS ROBINS, } *Trustees.*
T. M. PETTIT,
JNO. WELSH, JR.

Philadelphia, May 9, 1848.

in account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. **Cr.**

				Dolls.	C.
1847.	Amount brought forward,			930	45
Dec. 14	By am't from St. Stephen's Ch. Phila.,	$100 00			
1848.					
Jan. 4	" " " " "	50 00			
1847.			150 00		
Dec. 21	" " Church of Epiphany, "		150 00		
30	" " St. Luke's " "	$108 89			
Apr. 28	" " " " "	41 11			
1848.			150 00	450	00
Jan. 6	" " Grace " "		150 00		
Feb. 21	" " Christ " "		150 00		
Mar. 1	" " St. Andrew's " "		150 00		
May 1	" " St. Philip's, " "		100 00	550	00
1847.	Investments of the Episcopal Fund :				
Aug. 5	By 6 mos. int. on $19,689 36 Penn. 5 pr. ct.	$467 62			
	Dis. on Relief notes, $234, at 1⅝ pr. ct.	3 23			
1848.			464 39		
Feb. 2	6 months interest as above,	467 62			
	Dis. on Relief notes, $311, at 2½ pr. ct.	7 77			
			459 85	924	24
1847.	Andrew Doz Legacy, per T. H. White, Esq, Trustee.				
Aug. 10	Interest on Penn., 5 per cent. Loan,	$35 31			
	Discount on Relief paper,	22			
			35 09		
Sep. 11	Ground rent from W. H. Stewart due Aug. 12,		72 00		
23	Front street property less taxes,		9 00		
1848.					
Feb. 8	Interest on Penn. 5 per cent loan,	35 31			
	Discount on Relief paper,	30			
			35 01		
9	Ground rent from W. H. Stewart,		72 00	223	10
1847.	Pilmore Legacy, &c., per Jas. S. Newbold, Esq., Treas.				
Sep. 3	By 6 months income to August 1st,	$182 03			
	Dis. on Relief notes, $91, at 1¼ pr. cent.	1 03			
1848.			181 00		
Mar. 8	Income to February 1st,	182 03			
	Dis. on Relief notes, $121, at 1¾ pr. cent.	2 12			
			179 91	360	91
1847.	Fund for the support of the Episcopate held in trust by the Protestant Episcopal Society, for the advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, per Jas. S. Newbold, Esq., Treasurer.				
Sep. 3	By 6 months income,	160 41			
	Discount on Relief notes, $35,	51			
			159 90		
1848.	Six months income,	160 41			
	Dis. on Relief notes, $47, at 1¾ pr. cent.	82			
			159 59	319	49
				3758	19

JOHN WELSH, Jr., *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 9th, 1848.

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, 1849, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

GEORGE M. WHARTON, *Secretary.*

Officers and Agents of Church Institutions,

IN PHILADELPHIA.

President of the Standing Committee, . .	Rev. Dr. Morton, No. 9 Clinton Street.
Secretary of do. do.	Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, Broad ab. Spruce.
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Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, . . .	John Welsh, Jr., No. 50 South Wharves.
Corresponding Secretary and Chairman of the Com. Missions of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.	Rev. J. C. Clay, Swanson Street, near the Swedes Church.
Recording Secretary of do. do.	Mr. Edmund Wilcox, No. 145 Market St.
Treasurer of do. do.	Mr. Jas. S. Newbold, No. 16 South 7th St.

Form of Certificate of Election of Lay Delegates.

It is hereby certified, that, at a meeting of the vestry of Church, in in the county of held on the day of 18 , Mr. was duly elected a lay deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to be held in on the day of next; and that the said deputy is now, and has also been for not less than the six calendar months next before his election, a worshipper in the said Church.

Dated this of 18

} *Warden.*

} *Vestrymen.*

SIXTY-FIFTH CONVENTION

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church

IN PENNSYLVANIA.

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" Dr. Bowman,
" " Boyd,
" Mr. Breck,
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" R. D. Hall,
" A. B. Hard,
" N. S. Harris,
" Dr. Hare,
" Saml. Hazlehurst,
" H. P. Heister,
" W. J. Hilton,
" G. P. Hopkins,

NOTE.—Those whose names are marked thus * were not present at the Convention.

Rev. M. Hirst,
" M. A. D'W. Howe,
" *J. J. Kerr,
" G. Kirke,
" E. Leaf,
" J. Long,
" M. C. Lightner,
" *S. T. Lord,
" *J. H. Marsden,
" *A. A. Marple,
" *J. G. Maxwell,
" *E. Mendenhall,
" Geo. D. Miles,
" D. S. Miller,
" George Mintzer,
" Dr. Morgan,
" H. E. Montgomery,
" B. W. Morris,
" *Dr. Morton,
" J. P. Nash,
" G. W. Natt,
" Dr. Neville,
" *R. Newton,
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" F. Ogilby,
" R. J. Parvin,
Rev. W. S. Perkins,
" *Wm. Preston,
" Thos. H. Quinan,
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" R. Smith,
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" H. H. Weld,
" W. White,
" *Dr. Wilson,
" C. Wiltberger,
" E. Woodward,
" J. A. Woodward,
" C. B. Wyatt,
" T. C. Yarnall.—96.

LAY DEPUTIES.

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Wm. Alexander,
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*Mark Brooke,
*Jesse Brooke,
Peter Baldy,
Jos. B. Baker,
*Wm. H. Butler,
Wm. Bean,
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*John Boyer,
James C. Booth,
Giles Boulton,
Lewis Brinton,
*A. Beebe,
*Mahlon Brown,
Henry Buckwalter,
Hill Brinton,
*Henry W. Brinton,
James Cox,
Joseph Carson,
Herman Cope,
John W. Claghorn,
Gaylord Church,
John N. Conyngham,
H. W. Chadwick,
Wm. J. Crans,
Jos. O. Cuthbert,
Harry Conrad,
Edward Carpenter,
*Thos. Cartmill,
*Erasmus D. Crary,
David Dick,
Edward Davies,
Saml. N. Davies,
James M. Davis,
*Wm. H. Duffield,
Jacob P. Donaldson,
*Isaac Davis,
*Charles Emory,
Henry S. Evans,
*Geo. A. Elliott,
George Fox,
*Benj. W. Frazier,
*Francis T. Fassit,
John Fildes,
John L. Goddard,
Jeremiah C. Gunn,
John D. George,
*Edmund Green,
John Gray,
*Wm. O. Gilbert,
*Jos. Gest,
*Hopewell Hepburn,
Francis Hoskins,
Chas. W. Harrison,
*William S. Hill,
*William Harmar,
Edmund G. Harrison,
*James Humphreys,
James Y. Humphreys,
Robert E. Hobart,
*Wm. Haverstick,
Thos. C. Hand,
*Elias W. Hale,
Joseph R. Ingersoll,
*Thos. Jeffries,
*John Jones,
James Johnson,
*J. G. Johnson,
Wm. P. Johnston,
Benj. F. Johnson,
Jonathan Jones,
*Francis King,
William Kirkham,
William H. Klapp,
James C. Kempton,
Charles R. King,
*Luther Kidder,

*Jos. S. Keen,
John S. Littell,
John Lambert,
*J. D. Logan,
*David D. Lewis,
John Larkin,
Joel Lightner,
*Henry Lechler,
Samuel Lewis,
Wm. Letford,
*R. P. Lardner,
*E. E. Locke,
Henry W. Lewis,
*Ellis Lewis,
William R. McLawry,
Thomas McSorley,
John McKay, (Norristown,)
Alexander McLeester,
John McConch,
Matthew McPaul,
Major McVeigh,
B. Franklin McDonald,
John McKay, (Southwark,)
*Caspar Morris, M. D.
*Lewis H. Maus,
*Wm. P. Michael,
Wm. Martin,
John C. Montgomery,
*Edward W. Mumford,
Isaac Norton,
John C. Pechin,
*David Plank,
Wm. H. Parsons,
*Jos. Potts,
*Geo. Pennick,
Thos. H. Powers,
Saml. D. Patterson,
Charles S. Pancoast,
Cromwell Pearce,
John Paul,
Frederick W. Porter,
*Daniel Pursel,
Asa Packer,
Edward Owen Parry,
*George H. Potts,
Benjamin Parke,
*George L. I. Painter,
*William Platt, Jr.
*William B. Potts,
William L. Rehn,
Andrew Russel,
Benjamin S. Russell,
Clement S. Rutter,
*Zenas H. Russell,
Robert Ralston,
Osmon Reed,
Joseph S. Riley,
*J. Stuart Riddle,
Henry Reed,
Thomas Robins,
*Leonard F. Roberts,
*Richard Rutter,
John P. Rutter,
James Ridings,
Wm. Robinson, Jr.
J. Rosencrantz,
E. F. Rivinus,
John S. Richards,
*M. S. Richards,
Joseph L. Stichter,
Charles M. Stokes,
*W. H. Stokes,
*William H. Sayre,
*Richard Sharpe,
John S. Struthers,
*John H. Shoenberger,
*J. S. Shoemaker,
James Stewart,

Geo. M. Stroud,
Aubrey H. Smith,
*Samuel Swift,
James S. Smith,
Cornelius Stevenson,
Levi B. Smith,
Wm. Stavely,
Saml. Shafer,
Richard S. Smith,
John Stovell,
H. M. Sheaff,
D. K. Shoemaker,
*Samuel Shannon,
Saml. G. Slack,
R. K. Smith,
Thomas R. Trimble,
Caleb P. Talbot,
*George G. Thomas,
B. J. Tucker,
Thomas Thompson,
Wm. Trainer,
John Tucker,
*Joseph Vandegrift,
*B. B. Vincent,
*George C. Wagner,
*Rees Welsh,
George R. White,
Tobias Wagner,
*Thomas Wood,
*Peter Williamson,
George M. Wharton,
William Webb,
Alex'r. Wright,
Francis West,
Wm. Welsh,
John P. White,
James Williams,
Samuel Wagner,
*H. J. Walters,
Isaac Yocom.—206.

LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

AND THEIR DEPUTIES, 1849.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY. Trinity church, City of Pittsburg. George R. White, John H. Shoenberger, Hopewell Hepburn.

BERKS COUNTY. St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin. Isaac Yocom.

Christ church, Reading. J. L. Stichter, M. S. Richards, Jno. S. Richards.

St. Thomas' church, Morgantown. Levi B. Smith, Dr. Danl. J. Bruner, David Plank.

BUCKS COUNTY. St. James the Greater's church. James Johnson.

St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville. Saml. G. Slack, Mahlon Brown, Thomas Cartmill.

Grace church, Hulmeville. Samuel Swift, Edmund G. Harrison.

Trinity church, Centreville. Wm. Stavely.

CARBON COUNTY. St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk. Asa Packer, Wm. H. Sayre, Richard Sharpe.

CENTRE COUNTY. St. John's church, Bellefonte. Wm. H. Parsons.

CHESTER COUNTY. St. John's church, New London township. B. Franklin McDonald.

St. Mary's church, Warwick township. Samuel Shafer, Leonard F. Roberts, Col. Thomas K. Bull.

St. Peter's church, Great Valley. Cromwell Pearce, John Tucker.

St. John's church, Pequea. Francis T. Fassit.

St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township. Jonathan Jones, Thos. R. Trimble.

St. Andrew's church, West Vincent. Dr. Isaac Davis, Henry Buckwalter, John Paul.

St. Mark's church, Honeybrook. Caleb P. Talbot, Rees Welsh.

Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester. E. F. Rivinus, Lewis Brinton, Henry S. Evans.

St. Peter's church, Phœnixville. Major McVeigh.

St. James' church, Downingtown. John Stovell, James Humphreys.

Columbia County. St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg. Lewis H. Maus, Daniel Persol, Peter Appleman.

Christ church, Danville. Peter Baldy.

Crawford County. Christ church, Meadville. Gaylord Church, J. Stuart Riddle, David Dick.

Dauphin County. St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg. Hamilton Alrichs, Benjamin Parke, Benjamin S. Russell.

Delaware County. St. Paul's church, Chester. John Larkin, J. G. Johnson, Alexander Wright.

St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook. Benjamin F. Johnson, Wm. Trainer, John Gray.

St. John's church, Concord township. Hill Brinton, Henry W. Brinton, Joseph Gest.

St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor. Isaac Norton, Mark Brooke, Jesse Brooke.

Calvary church, Rockdale. Richd. S. Smith, John Fildes.

Erie County. St. Paul's church, Erie. B. B. Vincent, Dr. A. Beebe, Geo. A. Elliott.

Lancaster County. St. James' church, Lancaster. Ellis Lewis, Thos. Jeffries, Wm. O. Gilbert.

Christ church, Leacock. Richard Rutter, Thomas McSorley, Henry Lechler.

Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown. Edward Davies, Joseph Potts.

All Saints' church, Paradise. Joseph B. Baker, William P. Michael, Joel Lightner.

Luzerne County. St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre. John N. Conyngham, Wm. H. Butler, Luther Kidder.

Lycoming County. St. James' church, Muncy. G. L. J. Painter, Thomas Wood, M. D., J. Scudder Shoemaker.

Mifflin County. St. Mark's church, Lewistown. E. E. Locke, Elias W. Hale, H. J. Walters.

Montgomery County. St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township. H. M. Sheaff, D. K. Shoemaker.

St. James' church, Perkiomen township. Wm. Bean, Geo. Pennick.

St. John's church, Norristown. John Boyer, John McKay, Samuel Shannon.

Christ church, Pottstown. Robert E. Hobart, John P. Rutter, Thomas Boyd.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY. St. Mark's church, Sunbury. Dr. Wm. P. Johnston.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY. Christ church, Philadelphia. James Y. Humphreys, Dr. Francis West, James C. Booth.

St. Peter's church, Philadelphia. James S. Smith, Henry Reed, Joseph R. Ingersoll.

St. James' church, Philadelphia. George M. Wharton, James Cox, Joseph Carson.

St. Paul's church, Philadelphia. Samuel N. Davies, John D. George, Wm. Alexander.

St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia. Charles N. Bancker, William Kirkham, Tobias Wagner.

St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia. Thomas Robins, Cornelius Stevenson, John C. Pechin.

Grace church, Philadelphia. Herman Cope, John W. Claghorn, Francis Hoskins.

Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia. Wm. Martin, B. J. Tucker, Dr. Samuel Lewis.

St. Luke's church, Philadelphia. William Welsh, James M. Aertsen, John P. White.

Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia. Lewis R. Ashhurst, Frederick W. Porter, Caspar Morris, M. D.

Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia. Edward C. Biddle, John L. Goddard, William L. Rehn.

St. John's church, Northern Liberties. William Haverstick, Wm. Letford, H. W. Chadwick.

Advent church, Northern Liberties. Joseph S. Riley, William Webb, Frederick R. Backus.

All Saints' church, Moyamensing. James Ridings, John C. Montgomery, Wm. Robinson, Jr.

Church of the Evangelists, Southwark. Giles Boulton, Wm. J. Crans, Dr. R. K. Smith.

Trinity church, Southwark. Peter Williamson, William H. Klapp, Clement S. Rutter.

Gloria Dei Church, Southwark. James Stewart, Alexander McLeester, John McKay.

St. Philip's church, Spring Garden. Thomas H. Powers, Harry Conrad, Samuel D. Patterson.

Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden. Thomas Thompson, James M. Davis, Thomas C. Hand.

Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden. B. W. Frazier, Osmon Reed, Wm. Platt, Jr.

Church of the Mediator. Edw. Carpenter, Chas. Emory, John McCouch.

St. James' church, Kingsessing. Aubrey H. Smith, William Harmar, George G. Thomas.

St. Matthew's church, Francisville. Hon. George M. Stroud, John Lambert, J. D. Logan, M. D.

St. James the Less church, North Penn township. Robert Ralston, James C. Kempton, George Blight.

All Saints' church, Lower Dublin township. C. R. King, M. D., Joseph Vandegrift, C. W. Harrison.

Emanuel church, Holmesburg. George Fox, Francis King, George C. Wagner.

Trinity church, Oxford township. Edmund Green, Richard P. Lardner.

St. Mark's church, Frankford. Wm. H. Duffield, James Williams, Chas. S. Pancoast.

St. Luke's church, Germantown. John S. Littell, Chas. M. Stokes, W. H. Stokes.

Emanuel church, Kensington. Jacob P. Donaldson, Matthew McPaul, Edw. W. Mumford.

St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia. Joseph S. Keen, Joseph O. Cuthbert, Thomas Allibone.

St. David's church, Manayunk. Samuel Wagner, Dr. J. Rosencrantz.

Schuylkill County. Trinity church, Pottsville. Edward Owen Parry, George H. Potts, Andrew Russel.

St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven. William B. Potts, David D. Lewis, William S. Hill.

St. Paul's church, Minersville. Henry W. Lewis.

Zion church, Tuscarora. John S. Struthers, Erasmus D. Crary.

Wayne County. Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish. Zenas H. Russell, Jeremiah C. Gunn, William R. McLaury.

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PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
Tuesday, May 15th, A. D. 1849, 5 o'clock, P. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D. LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several Clergymen and Lay Deputies, attended at St. Andrew's Church.

The Chair being taken by the Bishop, the Convention proceeded to organize.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats, prepared by the Bishop, was called over by the Secretary, and the following answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

Rev. Mr. Allen,	Rev. Mr. Flint,
" Dr. Bowman,	" " Goddard,
" " Boyd,	" " Hall,
" Mr. Buchanan,	" Dr. Hare,
" Dr. Bull,	" Mr. Hazlehurst,
" " Carmichael,	" " Hopkins,
" Mr. Childs,	" " Hirst,
" S. A. Clark,	" " Howe,
" W. J. Clark,	" " Kirke,
" Dr. Clay,	" " Long,
" Mr. Clemson,	" " Miles,
" " Coit,	" " Mintzer,
" Dr. Coleman,	" Dr. Morgan,
" Mr. R. Davis,	" Mr. Montgomery,
" Dr. Dorr,	" " Morris,
" Mr. B. J. Douglass,	" " Natt,
" " J. M. Douglass,	" Dr. Neville,
" Dr. Ducachet,	" Mr. Odenheimer,
" Mr. Durborow,	" " Ogilby,
" " Fields,	" " Parvin,

Rev. Mr. Rodney,	Rev. Mr. Suddards,
" " Rogers,	" " Talbot,
" " Russell,	" " Tullidge,
" " Sheets,	" Dr. Vaughan,
" " R. Smith,	" Mr. Weld,
" " J. H. Smith,	" " White,
" " Spackman,	" " Wyatt,
" " Stem,	" " Yarnall.

The following Lay Deputies presented certificates of their appointment, which being in the form prescribed by the Canon, their names were recorded, and being called, they answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

L. R. Ashhurst,	J. P. Donaldson,
Wm. Alexander,	J. D. George,
J. M. Aertsen,	F. Hoskins,
T. Allibone,	E. G. Harrison,
E. C. Biddle,	J. Y. Humphreys,
C. N. Bancker,	R. E. Hobart,
G. Blight,	T. C. Hand,
T. K. Bull,	J. R. Ingersoll,
P. Baldy,	J. Johnson,
J. B. Baker,	W. P. Johnston,
W. Bean,	W. Kirkham,
J. C. Booth,	J. S. Littell,
G. Boulton,	J. Lightner,
J. Cox,	S. Lewis,
J. Carson,	W. Letford,
H. Cope,	T. McSorley,
J. W. Claghorn,	J. McKay,
G. Church,	A. McLeester,
J. N. Conyngham,	J. McCouch,
H. W. Chadwick,	M. McPaul,
W. J. Crans,	J. C. Montgomery,
J. O. Cuthbert,	J. Norton,
H. Conrad,	J. C. Pechin,
E. Carpenter,	W. H. Parsons,
E. Davies,	T. H. Powers,
J. M. Davis,	S. D. Patterson,

E. O. Parry,
B. Parke,
W. L. Rehn,
B. S. Russell,
C. S. Rutter,
R. Ralston,
O. Reed,
J. S. Riley,
H. Reed,
T. Robins,
J. Ridings,
W. Robinson, Jr.
C. M. Stokes,
J. Stewart,
G. M. Stroud,
A. H. Smith,
J. S. Smith,
L. B. Smith,
R. S. Smith,
R. K. Smith,
C. Stevenson,
W. Stavely,
S. Shafer,
J. Stovell,
H. M. Sheaff,
D. K. Shoemaker,
C. P. Talbot,
T. Thompson,
G. R. White,
T. Wagner,
S. Wagner,
G. M. Wharton,
A. Wright,
W. Welsh,
J. P. White,
F. West.

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to choose a Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

George M. Wharton, a Lay Deputy from St. James' Church, Philadelphia, was nominated for the office of Secretary; there being no other nomination, the balloting was dispensed with, and he was thereupon duly elected *viva voce.*

The Rev. Mr. Odenheimer was then nominated for the office of Assistant Secretary, and there being no other nomination, he was, in like manner, duly elected Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary then read the Rules of Order from the Revised Regulations, as follows:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with a form of prayer, prescribed by the Bishop.

2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without

advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the president, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. While the president is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered before the house, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the house is to rise, every member shall keep his seat, until the president leave the chair.

13. These Revised Regulations and Rules of Order shall not, at any time, be suspended, unless by a vote of two thirds of the members present; nor shall any of them be rescinded except upon one day's notice of an intention to move for their abolishment.

On motion of the Secretary, It was *resolved*, That the House shall hold two sessions every day, viz. from 9 o'clock A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and from 5 o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock P. M., provided that it shall not meet on Wednesday morning until 10 o'clock.

It was also *resolved*, That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church belonging to this Diocese, and not entitled to seats in the Convention; and Clergymen not belonging to this Diocese; and Clergymen of the Church of England or of her Colonies; and Students of Divinity of the Episcopal Church; now in this city, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The following Committees were then, on motion, appointed —the members being named by the Bishop, viz:

Committee on Charters—Rev. Dr. Bowman, Rev. Messrs. Stem and Montgomery, and Messrs. Stroud, Church and Littell.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. Dr. Morgan and Rev. Messrs. Weld and Rogers.

Committee on claims of Lay Deputies to seats—Messrs. Ingersoll, Conyngham and T. Wagner.

Committee on claims of Clergymen to seats—Rev. Drs. Hare, Carmichael, and Neville.

Mr. Parry moved, that the Rev. E. N. Lightner be admitted to a seat in the Convention.

Mr. J. S. Smith moved to refer the matter to the Committee on claims of Clergymen to seats. Which was carried.

Judge Stroud presented a certificate of the election of Lay Deputies from the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia county, accompanied by a Petition, which was read, in the following words:

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The undersigned, delegates from the Church of the Crucifixon, respectfully represent:

That, on Thursday, May 20, 1847, the articles of association of the said Church of the Crucifixon, were referred to the Committee on Charters, having first been approved by the Bishop and standing committee; and on the same day having been found by the Committee on Canons to be conformable to the constitution and canons, the church was admitted into union with the Convention, (see Journal for 1847, p. 60.)

That, by the constitution of the Church, "Every regularly established Protestant Episcopal Church, now a member, or which shall hereafter be admitted a member of the Convention, may send to the Convention a lay deputy or deputies, not exceeding three in number, to be elected by the vestry of the said church, *provided* that no person shall be competent to serve as a deputy unless he has been a worshipper in the church he represents six calendar months next before his election."

That, by the 13th canon, the appointment of lay deputies to the Convention of this diocese shall be certified in writing by a

warden, or two vestrymen, of the proper church; and the certificate shall state that the deputy or each deputy named in it, if the certificate be for more than one, is, and has also been for not less than six months before the time of his election, a worshipper in the church or parish he is deputed to represent. "And no other certificate or evidence of the appointment of any lay deputy or deputies to the Convention of this diocese shall be allowed or received."

That, on the tenth day of April, 1849, the undersigned were duly elected delegates to this Convention by the vestry of the said Church of the Crucifixon, and hereby present a certificate of said election, in conformity with such canon; but that the Secretary of the Convention has declined to place their names in the list of delegates.

The undersigned respectfully ask to be admitted to seats in this Convention.

CHAS. E. LEX,
FRANCIS WHARTON.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Coleman, as amended on the suggestion of the Rev. Dr. Boyd, the application was referred to a special Committêe of Five. The Bishop appointed the Rev. Drs. Coleman and Morgan, the Rev. Mr. Lightner, and Messrs. Stroud and Cope.

The Convention then adjourned to attend Divine Service on Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock.

G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Wednesday, May 16, A. D. 1849, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met, and attended divine service. The morning prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Stevens, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Buchanan who read the lessons. The Bishop delivered his primary charge to the Clergy. The Bishop having appointed this morning for the ordination of Messrs. Elsegood and Beatty to the order of the Priesthood, proceeded with the ordination service. The Rev. Mr. Van Pelt presented the Rev. Mr. Beatty, and the Rev. Mr. Stem presented the Rev. Mr. Elsegood. The Rev. Messrs. Stevens, Buchanan, Van Pelt, and Stem united with the Bishop in the laying on of hands.

The Convention was called to order after service. The roll was then called, and the minutes of yesterday P. M. read and approved.

The following Clergymen entitled to seats, and not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats, viz: Rev. Messrs. Beasley, Breck, Cooley, Diehl, Drake, Hard, Harris, Heister, Hilton, Lightner, Nash, Norris, Perkins, W. L. Suddards, Upfold, Wiltberger, and J. A. Woodward.

And the following Lay Deputies, viz: Messrs. Alrichs, Backus, Fox, Fildes, Goddard, C. W. Harrison, B. F. Johnson, Klapp, C. R. King, Larkin, H. W. Lewis, McLawry, Pancoast, Porter, Packer, A. Russell, J. P. Rutter, Rosencrantz, J. S. Richards, Stichter, B. J. Tucker, Webb, Williams, and Yocom, not present yesterday, and entitled to seats, appeared, having presented their proper certificates, and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Clay offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on the right of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, be instructed to inquire by what title the Rev. J. J. Kerr, the Rev. Benj. J. Douglass, and the Rev. Wm. L. Suddards occupy seats as members of this body.

Judge Stroud, from the majority of the Special Committee on the subject of the application of the Deputies from the Church of the Crucifixion, presented the following Report:

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Francis Wharton and Charles E. Lex, asking to be admitted to seats in the Convention as lay deputies of the Church of the Crucifixion, in the county of Philadelphia, respectfully report:

That the Church of the Crucifixion was duly admitted into union with this Convention, on the 20th of May, A. D. 1847, (see Journal of that year, p. 60.) That all the original corporators were respectable white persons, and none others have since become corporators, or are or have been entitled to take any part in the management of the church. And by a by-law of the corporation no coloured person is entitled to vote for vestrymen, or for any officer of the church, the vestry having by a resolution declared it to be their opinion, that such persons were, by the spirit of the charter, precluded from the right of voting at elections.

That, on the day of April last, the petitioners together with Henry A. Shackelford were duly appointed lay deputies to this Convention, to represent said church, and that a certificate of their appointment, conforming in all respects to Canon XIII., was exhibited to the Secretary of the Convention before the day fixed for its meeting, who, having refused to receive the same, it was presented to the Convention, in connexion with the petition referred to the Committee.

The evidence thus exhibited of the right of the petitioners to a seat in this Convention, is of the same kind, and is as full as any which has been or can be exhibited by the lay deputies, whose names as a matter of course, have been placed on the list of members of the Convention by the Secretary.

The Committee, therefore, report that Francis Wharton and Charles E. Lex, the petitioners, and Henry A. Shackelford are entitled to seats in this Convention, and that their names as lay deputies of the Church of the Crucifixion of the county of Philadelphia, should be forthwith placed by the Secretary, on the proper list of members of this Convention.

May 16, 1849.

GEO. M. STROUD,
HERMAN COPE,
R. U. MORGAN.

The Rev. Dr. Coleman, a member of the Committee, submitted the following Report, accompanied by the Resolution annexed:

The undersigned, minority of the Committee to whom was referred the application of certain gentlemen to be admitted to seats in this Convention, as delegates from the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia county, respectfully reports:

That at the Convention of 1848, (see Journal, p. 51,) the propriety of the admission by the previous Convention of said church into union with it, was referred to the Committee on Charters, to report thereon. That Committee having failed to report, for want of time, the present special Committee, in my opinion, was raised to consider the same subject. I have accordingly given it due deliberation; and believing that the 8th Revised Regulation was intended to exclude *all* coloured congregations in this diocese from sending deputies to the Convention,

am of opinion that the admission of said Church of the Crucifixion in 1847 was an illegal act, which should be immediately rescinded. I therefore report the following resolution for adoption by the Convention:

Resolved, That the admission of the Church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia county, as a member of this Convention, by the Convention of 1847, was a violation of the 8th Revised Regulation, and is therefore hereby declared to be null and void.

May 16, 1849. JOHN COLEMAN.

The Rev. Mr. Lightner, another member of the Committee, presented the following as explanatory of his views:

The undersigned acquiesces in the report of the Rev. Dr. Coleman, unless it is understood by the Convention, that admission to union with this Convention does not necessarily entitle a church to a lay representation in it; in which case the undersigned reports adverse to the admission of the delegates from the Church of the Crucifixion, on the ground that they are excluded by the eighth Revised Regulation.

May 16, 1849. M. C. LIGHTNER.

Judge Stroud then submitted the following:

Resolved, That Francis Wharton, Charles E. Lex and Henry A. Shackelford are entitled to seats in this Convention, as lay deputies of the Church of the Crucifixion of the county of Philadelphia, and that their names, as such deputies, be forthwith placed by the Secretary on the proper list of members of the Convention.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

Wednesday, P. M., 5 *o'clock.*

The Convention re-assembled. The roll was called, and the minutes of the morning session read and approved.

The following Clergymen, not before present, appeared and took their seats, viz. Rev. Messrs. Cowell, Quinan, Starkey, Van Pelt, and E. Woodward; and the following Lay Deputies, not before present, and entitled to seats, also appeared and took their seats, viz. Messrs. Brinton, Buckwalter, Dick, Evans, Gunn, Lambert, McVeigh, Rivinus, Slack, and Trainer.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Kirke, Mr. B. F. McDonald was admitted as a Lay Deputy from St. John's Church, New London, Chester county, his certificate having been defective; and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Bowman, Messrs. Ellis Lewis, Thomas Jeffries, and Wm. O. Gilbert were admitted as Lay Deputies from St. James' Church, Lancaster, their certificates having been casually mislaid.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Coleman, the application of the Rev. Freeman Lane for a seat in the Convention was referred to the Committee on the claims of Clergymen to seats.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual Address, as follows:

ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity—

The report which I am required to make at this time of the official acts which I have performed during the past year, and of the changes which within the same period have transpired in this Diocese, will be arranged—with such suggestions as I have to offer—in the following order:

I. *General Summary.*
II. *Confirmations and Preparatory Instruction.*
III. *Clergymen and Candidates for Orders.*
IV. *Church Edifices, and other Property.*
V. *Convocations.*
VI. *Schools.*
VII. *Missionary Effort.*

I. General Summary.

I have officiated during the year now closed, in all the counties of the state in which we have churches, except seven, and in all the parishes except thirteen. I have also visited various places at which we have no organized parishes. I have *preached on one hundred and ninety-six different occasions*, administered the rite of *Confirmation ninety-five times, consecrated four churches*, baptized eight infants, and solemnized four marriages. *Twenty-two candidates have been ordained;* of whom eleven were admitted to the Diaconate and eleven to the Priesthood. Twelve Clergymen have been received into the Diocese, seven have been dismissed,

and one displaced from the ministry, so that the present number of Clergymen canonically resident within our limits is one hundred and forty-four.

The number of organized parishes in connection with the Convention, is one hundred and twenty-three.

Of these, three are without church edifices, two have edifices in which they share the right to worship with some other religious body or bodies; three have been used in an unfinished state for several years; three are now engaged in erecting buildings, and six have buildings completed but not yet consecrated.

II. Confirmations and Preparatory Instruction.

The whole number of persons confirmed within the year is seven hundred and thirty-seven, of whom thirteen, owing to sickness, received the rite in private. These Confirmations were held as follows—

1848. In May, at Trinity Church, Pottsville, 23; at St. Peter's, Philadelphia, 5; at Calvary, N. L., 6; in private, 1; at Oxford, 3; at Frankford, 5.

In June, at Chester, 3; at Marcus Hook, 9; in private, 1; Pottstown, 5; in private, 1; Morlattin, 7; St. Peter's, Philad., 1.

In August, at Wellsboro', 2; in private, 1; Towanda, 3; New Milford, 3; Dundaff, 3; Carbondale, 4; Honesdale, 3; Salem 4; Wilkesbarre, 4.

In September, in private, 1; Brownsville, 9; St. Andrew's, Pittsburgh, 30; Allegheny, 9; Trinity, Pittsburgh, 23, and in private, 1; St. Paul's, (Beaver co.,) 13; New Castle, 4; Butler, 4; Wayne township, 8.

In October, at Kittanning, 15; Connellsville, 3; Uniontown, 1; Evansburgh, 1; Minersville, 13; Schuylkill Haven, 4; Danville, 4; Sunbury, 6; Williamsport, 3; Bellefonte, 8, (one in private); Philipsburg, 1; Morrisdale, 3; Huntingdon, 2; Lewistown, 2.

In November, Church of Advent, (N. L.) 23; Radnor, 11.

In December, Francisville, 5; Church of the Re-

demption, 13; Port Richmond, 4; Honeybrook, 1; Reading, 11; Nativity, (Philad.) 3.

1849. In April, St. Philip's, Philad., 19; St. Paul's, do. 15; Manayunk, 19; Trinity, Southwark, 31; Grace Church, Philad., 17; at Easton, 8; Yardleyville, 1; St. James the Greater, Bristol, 8; Marcus Hook, 1; Chester, 3; Whitemarsh, 8; Germantown, 9; St. Luke's, extra, Philad., 1; Church of the Atonement, Philad., 15.

The confirmations this year being greater, by more than one seventh, than in the year preceding, may be taken, I trust, as gratifying evidence of increased effort on the part of the clergy, and increased interest on the part of the people. I have no desire to see the ranks of those who approach this rite swelled, except by persons who are sincerely and earnestly bent upon leading virtuous and godly lives. The number of such persons, however, will depend much upon the diligence and zeal, with which Pastors train the young of their flocks, and deal with the consciences of those who, though older, are still undecided or reckless, in respect to the great duty of consecrating themselves to God's service. We shall never, as it seems to me, realize the ideal which the Church presents to us in her baptismal office until we regard each baptized child as committed to our special care to be duly prepared through the joint efforts of parents, teachers, sponsors and pastors for publicly ratifying the covenant in which, by baptism, they were separated from the world, and given over to be faithful followers of Christ. Hence the solicitude with which, in their public and private ministrations, in the Sunday school and catechetical class, pastors should watch over the Lambs of the flock. The frequent return of confirmation affords opportunities equally frequent for special appeals to the whole congregation, and for more than usual efforts to impress upon the young a deep sense of their Christian obligations. I desire therefore to call the renewed attention of the clergy to the *ninth Canon of the Church in this Diocese*, which makes it their duty, when notified of the Bishop's visitation, first *to invite the children of due age and others not confirmed to advise with them concerning their coming to*

that holy ordinance, and then diligently and faithfully to prepare them for the same. It seems to me that a diligent and faithful preparation requires a special course of instruction for the candidates in common, with frank and explicit conversations with each one in private. Less than this would hardly seem sufficient to enable a Pastor to judge of the qualifications of his respective candidates, or to give them the requisite counsel and direction. I ask particular attention to the canon in question, because its provisions are additional to those contained in the canons of the General Convention on the subject of confirmation, and it is my purpose hereafter to urge their careful observance. It gives me great pleasure to add that in a large proportion of the parishes in this Diocese, this important part of ministerial duty is conscientiously and assiduously fulfilled.

III. Clergymen and Candidates for Orders.

1*st. Ordinations.*—Eleven Candidates have been admitted to the *Diaconate*, viz: at St. Philip's, Spring Garden, July 2d, Joel Rudderow, who has become minister of the church at Bloomsburgh;—On Sunday, July 30, at the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, Messrs. Jacob Rambo, Cadwallader C. Hoffman, Archibald Beatty, and Frederick S. Wiley. Messrs. Rambo and Hoffman are missionaries on the western coast of Africa. Mr. Beatty is the minister of Zion Church at Tuscarora, and Mr. Wiley, officiating as assistant in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn;—October 8th, at St. John's Church, Norristown, Mr. Joseph I. Elsegood, who has become minister of the church at Danville;—On the Sunday before Christmas, in St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, Messrs. William B. Musgrave and David Washburn. The former has since been officiating as deacon in that church, and the latter assisting the rector of St. Luke's, Philadelphia;—February 25th, at Emmanuel Church, Kensington, Mr. John M. Goshorne, who has since become minister of St. Paul's Church, Laceyville;—On Friday, March 2d, in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, Mr. J. A. Merrick, who has since been assisting the rector of that church;—and on Easter Sunday, April 8th, in Trinity Church, Southwark, George L. Neide.

In my first address to the Convention of this Diocese, I intimated my conviction that the church would be better served if deacons were more frequently ordained without a license to preach—serving as assistants in the parishes of the older clergy, and studying under their direction. In my last address I reported the names of two deacons who had cheerfully acquiesced in my wishes in this respect. I have now to add that a portion of those who have been ordained within the last year have taken the same course, and that three deacons are now laboring, in this city, on the primitive model.

To the *Priesthood* ten candidates have been ordained, viz: May 21st, Rev. B. A. Starkey, in Trinity Church, Pottsville. September 17th, in St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, the Rev. Jacob Rambo and the Rev. C. C. Hoffman, on the eve of their departure, as missionaries of the church to the coast of Africa. December 18th, at St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Rev. James A. Woodward, who has since been chosen rector of that church. December 24, at St. Stephen's Church, Rev. Rees C. Evans, now acting as missionary at large, in the city of Philadelphia. On February 7th, in the Church of the Ascension, Rev. R. S. Trapier, minister of the Floating Chapel of the Redeemer. February 18th, Quinquagesima Sunday, at St. James the Less', Schuylkill Falls, the Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt, minister of the parish. On Sunday, April 22d, Rev. Chas. W. Quick, in St. Paul's Church, Chester, now rector of the same, and of the Church at Marcus Hook;—and April 25th, in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, Rev. Samuel Randall, who had been acting during the last six months as minister of Trinity Church, Carbondale, but who has removed within a few days to the Diocese of New Jersey.

On this day, in your presence, the Rev. Archibald Beatty, minister of Zion Church, Tuscarora, and the Rev. Robert I. Elsegood, minister of Christ Church, Danville, were also advanced to the Priesthood.

2*d. Displacement.*—On the 18th day of September, in the presence of the Rev. Dr. Hare of this Diocese, and the Rev. Theodore B. Bartow, of Georgia, I displaced from the minis-

try of the church the Rev. Barclay A. Smith, according to the provisions of Canon XXXVIII. of 1832.

3*d*. *Clergymen received.*—Letters of dismission have been accepted from

Bishop Whittingham, in behalf of Rev. Henry H. Bean, now rector of St. Andrew's, Springville.

Bishop Elliot, in behalf of Rev. Wm. B. Stevens, D.D., rector of St. Andrew's, Philadelphia.

Bishop Delancey, in behalf of Rev. Breed Bacheller, missionary at Greensburgh and Blairsville.

Bishop Kemper, in behalf of Rev. B. B. Killikelly, D.D., rector of St. Michael's, Wayne Township.

Bishop Lee, in behalf of Rev. J. Brinton Smith, rector of St. James, Kingsessing.

Bishop Whittingham, in behalf of Rev. D. E. Lyman, missionary at Marietta and Columbus.

Bishop Whittingham, in behalf of Rev. Thos. H. Winchester, rector of St. Paul's and St. Peter's, in the Valley.

Bishop Meade, in behalf of Rev. Charles W. Quick; from Bishop Meade, in behalf of Rev. J. G. Downing, who, after officiating for some months at St. James' Church, Muncy, has now become rector of St. James', Schuylkill Haven; from the Diocese of New York, in behalf of Rev. Wm. T. Smithett, who is now the rector of Grace Church, Honesdale; from Bishop Doane, in behalf of Rev. J. L. Ver Mehr, D.D., missionary to California; and from Bishop McIlvaine, in behalf of Rev. J. J. McElhinny, rector of Trinity Church, Connellsville.

4*th*. *Clergymen Dismissed.*—Letters of dismission have been given in behalf of Rev. R. H. Bourne to the Diocese of New York; in behalf of Rev. K. J. Stewart to the diocese of Ohio; in behalf of Rev. John Reynolds to the diocese of New Jersey; in behalf of the Rev. A. S. Colton to the diocese of Maryland; in behalf of the Rev. T. H. Mitchell to the diocese of Kentucky; in behalf of the Rev. J. W. Shackleford to the diocese of New York; and of the Rev. Samuel Randall to the diocese of New Jersey.

5*th*. *Positions of Clergymen changed.*—Within the year the

following changes in the positions of the Clergy within the diocese have taken place. The Rev. William H. Bourns has been compelled by ill health to resign the charge of the Church at Holmesburgh, where he is succeeded by the Rev. George C. Fields, formerly minister of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, which is now vacant.

Constrained by the same cause the Rev. Mr. Hard has relinquished his connection with the parishes at Chester and Marcus Hook, and the Rev. Mr. Hiester, his charge of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown. The Rev. Mr. Drake has been transferred from Schuylkill Haven to the charge of Muncy, and the Rev. Mr. Downing late of Muncy succeeds him. The Rev. W. L. Suddards also from ill health, has resigned the charge of St. Paul's and St. Peter's in the Valley, and the Rev. B. A. Starkey from like cause, the rectorship of the Church of the Apostles, in Schuylkill County. The Rev. Norris M. Jones has resigned the rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Uniontown, and is engaged in an effort to raise a new church in the northern suburbs of this city. The Rev. Owen E. Shannon has become the rector of the Church of the Crucifixion. The Rev. Charles Breck has exchanged the care of St. Paul's, Wellsboro, for the rectorship of the Churches at Rockdale and Concord, in Delaware co., being succeeded at Wellsboro by the Rev. A. A. Marple. At Danville, the Rev. M. C. Lightner has been succeeded by the Rev. M. Elsegood—at Manayunk, the Rev. A. Pryor by the Rev. M. C. Lightner, and at York, the Rev. J. W. Hoffman by the Rev. Chas. West Thompson. The Rev. Mr. Pryor is officiating temporarily in Delaware, and the Rev. Mr. Hoffman in Connecticut. The Rev. Dr. Bull having, after an uninterrupted and laborious ministry of more than forty years, during which he has revived several of our old parishes, and organized a number of new ones, thought it his duty to resign the churches at Morgantown and Churchtown, has been succeeded at the former place by the Rev. James A. Woodward, and at the latter by the Rev. Mr. Meyer, from the Diocese of Western N. Y. For many months the parish at Churchtown was supplied by the Rev. T. S. Carpenter in conjunction with his missionary labors in Lancaster

co., which he prosecuted with much zeal, but from which he has felt himself obliged to retire. The Rev. Dr. Dyer has resigned the Presidency of the Western University, and the informal charge of St. Paul's, Laceyville, where he has labored for several years without compensation. The Rev. G. W. Ridgeley has also resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Chester, in which he has been succeeded by the Rev. Chas. W. Quick from the Diocese of Virginia, who has also become rector of St. Martin's, Marcus Hook.

In reporting so many changes I cannot refrain from reminding both the clergy and the congregations of the evils and inconveniences to both parties, which they involve. As a means of guarding against them in some degree, I suggested in my last address the importance of supplying parsonages and rectors' Libraries, especially in the rural parishes, and where the salary paid in money is inadequate to the additional expense imposed by renting a house and by purchasing books. There is another measure which if generally adopted would also conduce greatly, I conceive, to the comfort of the Clergy and the welfare of their families. In few parishes of this country is the salary such that a Clergyman can hope to save from it any adequate provision for his family, if he should be taken from them in early or middle life. From any other source of supply, through his own efforts, he is cut off alike by public opinion, and by the duties of his profession; and yet the circumstances in which he is placed render early death not improbable in respect to himself, and they render the capacity for self-support very improbable in respect to his family. I would suggest, therefore, that parishes generally follow the course which has been adopted, I believe, in a few instances in this city, of purchasing an endowment for the family of their Clergyman in case of his dying while in their service.

A small sum annually paid to the venerable corporation for the widows and children of Clergymen in this Diocese, or to a well-conducted Life Insurance Co., would secure to their heirs at law at their death a considerable amount, which in case of the corporation for widows is often increased by the gratuitous liberality of the Trustees. Thus, in one of the

parishes of this city, the sum of one hundred and nine dollars paid annually by the Vestry, entitles the family of their rector, in case of his death, to the sum of five thousand dollars. Smaller payments would be sufficient in case of feeble parishes, and it may well be considered whether, in the case of those congregations whose means are entirely inadequate to an effort of this kind, an object is not presented, well worthy of the liberality of benevolent individuals and societies. Were it not that associations have been multiplied to an extent which by many is deemed unreasonable, I should be disposed to urge the formation of one to promote the building of parsonages, the furnishing of Rectors' Libraries, and the effecting of Life Insurances in behalf of parish clergymen. Whatever is calculated to multiply the ties between a Clergyman and his people, and to render the tenure of the pastoral office more permanent, is at this time worthy of all consideration.

6. *Candidates for Orders.*—The present number is *twelve.* A list accompanies this address.

IV. Church Edifices and other Property.

Four churches have been consecrated within the year, viz: In the month of *October*, St. Paul's, Minersville, St. James, Derry, and Trinity Church, Lock's Mills, Mifflin county. Each of these buildings was reported by the proper authority free from debt, and each reflects much credit upon the zeal and liberality of those through whose instrumentality it was erected. The church at Lock's Mills was built almost, if not entirely, at the expense of the two gentlemen (brothers) by whom these mills are owned.

On the eleventh of *January* I had the pleasure of dedicating to the service of God the first floating church in this diocese, and probably the most convenient and elegant one in the world. Little more than twelve months had elapsed since this enterprise was first conceived; less than twelve had passed since, at the request of the managers, I had first appealed to the public in its behalf. So that we have no reason to distrust the blessing of God or the good will of his people, whenever we embark with faithful and courageous hearts in

good works. The labors of the minister and missionary, Mr. Trapier, have been commenced under the most auspicious circumstances, and I devoutly hope that the prompt contributions which were made towards the building of this chapel for seamen, will be followed by contributions not less prompt or generous for its support.

The *corner-stone* of St. Jude's church, in Spring Garden, was laid on the first of July last. That church is now nearly ready for consecration, as are also St. John's, Salem, St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk, and St. Mark's, Northumberland. St. Mark's, in this city, will be completed, it is thought, early in the approaching autumn.

As one of our most important churches, (Trinity, Pittsburgh,) has within a few weeks come near being destroyed by fire, I cannot but avail myself of the occasion to recommend earnestly to all our parishes, that they imitate the prudent course which had been taken in this instance, of protecting the congregation from the risk of serious loss, by insurance. The premium charged for such insurances is so small that the poorest congregation can easily raise it, and if so obvious a measure of self-protection is neglected, the parish, in case its church edifice is destroyed, can have but a slight hold on the charities of the Church at large. A vestry should provide this guarantee for their church building as carefully as in their individual capacities, they secure it for their dwelling-houses, stores or ships.

It is a source of deep and unalloyed satisfaction to be assured, not only that new churches are now rising throughout the diocese, which will commence their career free from debt, but that several of our older congregations are also engaged in acquitting themselves of all pecuniary obligations. A recent effort of this kind has been made by the vestry of St. Luke's church, in this city, which merits special notice and commendation. In the course of a few days, a remaining debt of eighteen thousand dollars, the last resting on the corporation, was discharged by the munificence of a small number of gentlemen. That spirited parish now stands on ground which it will soon occupy, I trust, in common with others of our most efficient churches, whose efforts in behalf

of Christ and his gospel, noble as they have been, are still embarrassed, and in a measure paralyzed by debts of long standing.

In order to secure a more thorough and accurate view of the state of the Church in this diocese, from time to time, it seems to me that Reports ought to be made to this Convention of the property owned and the debts due by the different parishes. It is made the duty of the *church-wardens or vestry of a parish* (Canon XXVI. of 1832,) to give information to the Bishop, at the time of his visitation, of the state of the congregation, under such heads as he shall have previously specified. By Canon VIII. of 1841, the *Minister* of every parish is required to report annually to the Bishop not only the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, with the number of Communicants in his parish, but also *all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same.* And by Sec. iii. of Canon XII. of this diocese, it is expressly ordered that in his Annual Report, he *shall,* after specifying the particulars just recited, "*add a statement of all other matters of fact* that may throw light on the state of his parish or parishes."

In practice these provisions are, I think, to a great degree disregarded. No such returns are exacted from the churchwardens or vestry at the time of the Bishop's visit to the parish; nor does the Parochial Report made by the minister before each meeting of this body usually contain any reference to the fiscal condition of the parish. Yet this is one of the essential elements in its state and prospects, and it is due assuredly to the Clergyman himself, that while he reports the duties which he has discharged to the parish, some means should be afforded for judging how faithfully and punctually the parish, on its part, is fulfilling its obligations to him and to the Church. I would, therefore, recommend that a resolution be adopted, making it the duty of every minister holding a cure, to include in his annual Parochial Report such information as will, in his judgment, throw light on the pecuniary condition of the same—specifying in particular whether any, and if any, what property other than the church edifice, and the ground in which it stands, is

owned by the parish—what debts it owes—what salary it engages to pay its Clergyman, and with what degree of punctuality that salary is received. Returns made to the Bishop, at his visitation, are essentially private. Reports made to this Convention would take their place on your printed Journal, and would thus be accessible to the Church at large.

V. Convocations.

In addition to the *Northern Convocation*, the *rules* of which I reported to the last Convention, three others have since been organized on the same principles, viz: the *North Eastern* Convocation embracing the counties of Bradford, Luzerne, Susquehanna, Wyoming and Wayne—the *Southern* Convocation embracing Dauphin, Cumberland, York, Adams and Lancaster, and the *Schuylkill* Convocation embracing Montgomery, Berks, Schuylkill and Carbon. With each of the two last I have met twice, and with the Northern Convocation once. These meetings have been to me occasions of delightful intercourse with my brethren of the clergy, and with the people of their parishes. Besides public services and informal meetings in private, the members hold frequent sessions for the discussion of such practical questions touching the duties of their office as may arise, and for the reading of sermons, essays and dissertations. The following may be specified as some of the advantages which seem destined to flow from these meetings, and I am glad to say that as yet I have observed no counteracting evils which do not admit of obvious remedy. 1st. The cultivation of fraternal feeling among the Clergy, as also between them and the different congregations within the bounds of the convocation, and between the congregations themselves. 2d. A spirit of *local* co-operation among the parishes and clergy of different parts of the diocese. 3d. Enabling the younger clergy to avail themselves of the experience of their older brethren. 4th. Improvement in Theological learning.

VI. Schools.

The schools over which I have been accustomed to exercise some supervision have enjoyed during the last year a large share of public favor, and two of the female boarding schools

have been visited by special tokens of the divine presence; a good proportion of the inmates in each having been prepared for an intelligent, devout and earnest renewal in confirmation, of their baptismal vows. The Episcopal Academy in this city has reached, under the wise and efficient administration of Dr. Hare, its maximum number of pupils, as situated at present, and its Trustees are about to erect a large edifice on Locust street near Broad, sufficient for the accommodation of from 200 to 300.

The Episcopal Female Institute, opened last September under the care of Rev. Dr. Vaughan, has also received the patronage which it well deserves. Though but a year has elapsed since it was first projected, the trustees have found it necessary to enlarge their accommodations. The present number of pupils is one hundred and sixteen, and it is supposed that one hundred and eighty can be conveniently accommodated under the new arrangement. The discipline and instruction are both entitled to the highest praise. This institution has been incorporated according to law.

In my last address I stated that some efforts had been made to provide *free scholarships*, at the different schools which I then noticed, for the sons and daughters of the clergy in this diocese. I called attention especially to the importance of creating permanent scholarships for the *daughters* of such pastors as receive small salaries and live where good schools are not yet established. Through the temporary contributions of a few benevolent individuals, nine young ladies have been placed at boarding schools, besides those who are received as free day scholars at the Female Institute in Philadelphia. I am now able to state that the foundation of a *permanent fund* for this purpose has been laid. The late Mrs. Stott of this city, who died in the month of June last, full of years, rich in faith and good works, and loaded with the blessings of multitudes who had tasted her bounty, or who had seen the daily beauty of her life,—manifested a special interest in this charity. In addition to previous contributions, made a few months before her death, sufficient to support three scholars for one year, she bequeathed four thousand dollars to it in one of the last codicils to her will,

and an association has been formed under the title of "the Trustees of the Clergy Daughters' Fund," and a charter secured according to law. To the charge of these trustees all funds devoted to this purpose will be committed. I cannot but hope that so blessed an example as Mrs. Stott's may be followed, in this and in other charities, by those who would leave behind them a memorial to gladden many hearts, and to be the means of incalculable good to the church and her children.

VII. Missionary Effort.

The missionary operations of the diocese have been greatly indebted, in this as in former years, to the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, to the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, to the Episcopal Tract Society, to the Parish Library Association, and to parishes in this city which have made special appropriations for missions within the diocese. The number of Missionaries now employed by the Advancement Society is seventeen.

Their names and places of officiating are as follows—

1. Rev. Wm. Adderly, Beaver co.
2. " T. Crumpton, Allegheny city.
3. " Wm. N. Diehl, Whitemarsh.
4. " I. G. Downing, Schuylkill Haven.
5. " G. C. Drake, Muncy.
6. " G. A. Durborow, Fairmount.
7. " W. Hilton, Kittanning and Freeport.
8. " Dwight E. Lyman, Columbia and Marietta.
9. " E. Mendenhall, Salem, and parts adjacent.
10. " Geo. P. Hopkins, Doylestown.
11. " B. W. Morris, Sunbury, &c.
12. " John Long, Montrose and New Milford.
13. Rev. B. B. Killikelly, Wayne Township.
14. " S. P. Nash, Phœnixville.
15. " G. W. Natt, Bellefonte,
16. " P. Russell, Mauch Chunk.
17. " W. White, Butler.

To these should be added as missionaries under the direction of the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, the Rev.

Joseph H. Smith, of the Calvary Church Mission, the Rev. O. E. Shannon, of the Mission of the Church of the Crucifixion, the Rev. Richard Smith, officiating in Mercer county, the Rev. Thomas G. Allen, City Missionary, (Philad.), the Rev. Paul Trapier, Missionary among seamen, the Rev. Edward C. Jones, officiating at the Blockley Almshouse, and the Rev. Rees C. Evans, City Missionary, (Philada.)

Esteeming it important that the church in this diocese should be better acquainted with the spiritual condition of those districts of the Diocese, in which the population is most rapidly increasing, I last summer commissioned two of our candidates for orders, in whose judgment and efficiency I had confidence, to explore the whole coal-region in the eastern part of the State. These candidates (Messrs. Duane and Clements, accompanied by Mr. Rumney of the Diocese of Western New York,) performed a laborious tour of a month's duration, during which they passed from Pottsville through Schuylkill, Carbon, Luzerne and Wayne co's. to Honesdale, visiting 1433 families, distributing Bibles, Testaments and Prayer Books (510) and 15000 pages of Tracts. They supplied me on their return with a full and circumstantial account in writing of the results of their tour, and it is one which reflected much credit on their activity and zeal. As other efforts of this kind will probably be made under my direction, and as they seem to me, if duly directed, to promise much benefit, as well in the information which they will furnish as in the good done to the people, and in the useful experience gained by the candidates, I subjoin in a note the instructions which were delivered to the young gentlemen, and an abstract of their report. [See page 36.]

In concluding this address, I earnestly invoke the divine presence and blessing on your deliberations while assembled in convention, and on your labors when you have returned to your homes. And I cannot but request particularly that in your prayers for yourselves, your respective congregations, and the church at large, you will not forget Him who is over you in the Lord, and who is more and more sensible, that he needs wisdom and strength from the Father of lights, the source of every good and perfect gift, to qualify him for his post.

A. POTTER.

May 15th, 1849.

NOTE.

Philadelphia, July 15th, 1846.

My Dear Young Friends:—

Having undertaken to visit some portions of this Diocese as Catechists and Colporteurs, it is proper that you should receive a few hints from me as to the course which you ought to pursue in discharging duties so important, so delicate, and I may add so unprecedented.

The sphere of your operations will be mainly, in the principal coal basins of Eastern Pennsylvania, and your primary object will be to place yourselves in communication with the resident population, and especially with those engaged in developing the entire mineral resources (iron, &c., as well as coal,) of these districts. In your intercourse with these people you will endeavour to ascertain,

1. The number of families and of souls, in each locality.

2. Of what country they are natives—how long resident in the United States—how long resident in Pennsylvania—and how long resident in that particular locality.

3. In what faith or form of worship and church polity they were educated.

3. (b.) What place of worship (if any) they attend, and how often.

4. How far their children have been baptized.

5. How far they are supplied with Bibles, Religious Tracts, &c.

6. What attention is paid to the religious education of the children at home, in Sunday Schools, &c.

7. What proportion of the whole population have been accustomed to, or would be inclined to attend the services of the Episcopal Church.

8. Whether there is any opening, and how great, for the labours of a missionary or minister of our Church.

9. What are the habits of the people as to intemperance—desecration of the Lord's day, impurity, &c. &c.

You will also endeavour to make yourself useful to the people with whom you may meet,

1. By conversation judiciously and unobtrusively directed to their own religious welfare, and especially to that of their children and neighbors.

2. By visiting the sick, ministering to their bodily comfort, praying with them, &c.

3. By leaving Bibles and Prayer Books, (to be sold or given,) and giving Tracts.

4. By making arrangements for the establishment of Sunday Schools or Catechetical Classes, where there are none.

5. By appointing a time when you will return through the same place, and will hear the children say their Catechism, &c.

6. By performing Divine service when opportunity offers, and reading short and plain sermons.

7. By brief and simple addresses on the duty of parents to children in respect to religious education, &c.—on forming Sunday Schools, attending public worship, &c.

8. By taking the earlier preliminary steps, where there are openings for congregations, towards organizing them.

In discharging these duties you will remember that as young men and candidates for orders, you should abstain from what pertains exclusively to the public functions of the ministry; and from that which, though it might be well received if it came from the aged or the mature in years, would be ungraceful in the young and inexperienced.

You will, before entering any district, take pains to place yourself in communication with the clergyman of our Church who may be resident in that vicinity, and receive his advice and instructions.

You will be careful to refer always with respect to such clergyman when speaking of him.

You will decline entering into controversy as to the relative merits of our Church and other bodies. If explanations are asked, give them in the meekness of wisdom. If attacks are made, reply with blessings and prayers, but unostentatiously; and leave a Tract calculated to obviate prejudice and instruct ignorance.

Do not obtrude the fact that you come as representatives of the Episcopal Church. Let it rather transpire incidentally, and let it be seen that your supreme desire is to be useful to the souls and bodies of men.

Seek opportunities of mingling unreservedly with the people in their houses. The females and children, can be seen through the day—a second visit near evening will enable you to see the head and father of the family.

Always defer to his wishes and authority in respect to the religious welfare of his family, except in very extraordinary cases. Yours affectionately,

ALONZO POTTER.

P. S. In addition to the other duties specified you will endeavour to direct persons attached to our Church, to the nearest place of worship belonging to the same, and to provide for their accommodation.

You will have the goodness at the close of your tour, to make a report to me of your services, and of such facts as throw light on the spiritual condition of the districts visited.

Philadelphia, September 2nd, 1848.

The undersigned beg leave to offer the following report of their operations in the coal districts of Pennsylvania.

We left Philadelphia, on Tuesday, 25th of July, and were occupied for one month. We commenced our operations at Tremont, thirteen miles west of Pottsville, and proceeded as far as Honesdale, Wayne Co.

We visited 1433 families, viz: in Schuylkill District, 674; in Lehigh District, 405; and in the Upper District, 354. We distributed 510 books, viz: 106 Bibles, 255 Testaments, 45 large Prayer Books, and 104 small Prayer Books, and upwards of 15,000 pages of Tracts. A detailed account of each place visited, and tables of visits paid, and books distributed will be found on the following pages, also a map. It will be observed that we omitted visiting some families in many places; this was caused generally by their absence from home.

With very few exceptions we were received with kindness by those whom we visited. We found very few Protestant families without the Word of God. Among the Roman Catholics we could do very little, many of them refusing, even to take our Tracts; we succeeded however in placing the Word of God in a few of their families. Our Prayer Books were received gladly by those who were not connected with our Church, and in some cases purchased by them; we trust that they may be beneficial in attaching many to our communion.

We held five lay-services, viz: Sunday, P. M., July 30th, New-Castle; Sunday, A. M., August 6th, Mauch Chunk, (in the absence of the Rector, Mr. Russell;) Sunday, 13th, P. M., Black Mountain; Sunday, 20th, P. M., Waymart; Tuesday, 22d, evening, Providence. These services were generally well attended, and a good deal of interest manifested.

We think it important that our services should be held at Tamaqua once every

Sunday; that a Missionary should be stationed at Harrison to operate also in the neighbouring places, especially at Archbald and Pittston; that a Missionary should be stationed at Port Carbon, who might also hold services at Middleport. It is also desirable that a Missionary should be employed at Buck Mountain, Rockport, and White Haven; and another at Tremont and Donaldson. An occasional service at New Castle would no doubt be well attended. We would remark, in conclusion, that our Church is losing yearly many members, who for want of our services attach themselves to the Methodists. This we submit, trusting that our labors have not been in vain in the Lord.

T. S. Rumney.
R. B. Duane.
Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D.D. S. Clements.

At the conclusion of the Address, the Bishop laid upon the table the List of Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese, as follows:

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, May 16th, 1849.

Robert Phipps—since February 7th, 1843.
Francis C. Clements—since September 19th, 1845.
R. Ralston Cox—since September 29th, 1845.
Francis J. Warner—since November 4th, 1845.
John T. Murphy—since June 8th, 1846.
Samuel Cox—since September 1st, 1846.
George W. Brown—since March 2d, 1847.
Richard B. Duane—since May 4th, 1847.
Nathan B. Merrill—since August 10th, 1846.
John Furey—since June 5th, 1847.
Samuel Clements—since July 5th, 1847.
James W. James—since September, 1848.
Wm. White Montgomery—since October, 1848.

Alonzo Potter.

The Rev. Dr. Bowman presented the following Report—

The committee on charters, to whom was referred the consideration of the charter of St. James' Church, Derry, respectfully report—

That they have examined the same, and find it to be in ac-

cordance with the Constitution, Canons, doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and with the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

They therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That St. James' Church, Derry, be and the same is hereby admitted into union with this Convention.

S. Bowman, Chairman.

Philadelphia, May 16, 1849.

The resolution appended thereto was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Howe, the Secretary of the Standing Committee, submitted the following:

The Secretary of the Standing Committee presents the Charters, or Articles of Association of

Calvary Church, Tamaqua, Schuylkill county.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Philadelphia county.

Zion Church, Philadelphia county.

St. James' Church, West Marlboro', Chester county.

Which he reports as having been examined, and approved by the Standing Committee.

M. A. DeWolfe Howe,
Secretary of Standing Committee.

Philadelphia, May 16, 1849.

On his motion, the documents mentioned were referred to the Committee on Charters.

The Rev. Dr. Morgan presented the following Report:

The Committee on unfinished business respectfully report, that having examined the Journal of the last Convention, they find the following items, viz:

1, p. 51. A resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Coleman, relating to the propriety of the admission of the Church of the Crucifixion into union with this Convention; "referred to the Committee on Charters to report thereon."

2, p. 53. A resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Davis, for the appointment of a committee—the Rt. Rev. Bishop, Chairman—to examine certain propositions respecting the division of the Diocese into twelve mission districts, &c.

3, p. 55. A resolution offered by Rev. Mr. Harris, for the

appointment of a committee to consider and report how more ample free sittings may be provided in the churches of the Diocese—of which the Rev. mover is Chairman.

4, p. 57. A proposed amendment of the 6th article of the Constitution of the Church in the Diocese, approved at the last Convention, and laid over to the present for final action, according to the provision of the last article of the Constitution.

5, p. 59. The Report of the Committee on the state of the Church, of which Rev. Mr. Suddards is Chairman.

R. U. Morgan, Chairman.
H. Hastings Weld,
J. M. Rogers.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael, from the Committee on the claims of Clergymen to seats, read the following report from the majority of that Committee.

The Committee to whom were referred the claims of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, beg leave respectfully to report, that the Rev. Edwin N. Lightner has appeared before them, claiming a seat, on the ground that he is a regularly settled Minister of Christ Church, Merion, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and that he has been thus situated for some four or five years.

The difficulty, however, in this case is, that the Church of which Mr. Lightner is a Minister, is not in union with this Convention, having never as yet, by its charter or otherwise, in accordance with article 4th of the Constitution, "expressly acceded to the Constitution, Canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese": and hence a majority of the Committee are of the opinion that until this is done, the Rev. Mr. Lightner is not entitled to a seat.

It is true, that "every Clergyman of the Church, of whatever order, being a *settled* Minister of some parish within this state, is entitled to a seat and vote in Convention;" but a majority of the Committee aforesaid think that as Mr. Lightner is not a *settled* Minister of any church or parish, recognized as such by this Convention, they have come to the conclusion not

to recommend him to a seat in this body. All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. M. CARMICHAEL,
Philad. May 16, 1849. E. NEVILLE,

The Rev. Dr. Hare, a member of the Committee, presented a minority report, as follows:

The undersigned, the minority of the Committee on the claims of Clergymen to seats in the Convention, respectfully reports, that the Rev. Edwin N. Lightner claims a seat on the ground of the provision in the fourth article of the constitution, that "every clergyman of the Church, of whatever order, being a settled Minister of some parish within this state, ... shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention, if he has been actually and personally, as well as canonically resident within this state, for the space of twelve calendar months," &c.

The only ground for the doubt whether Mr. Lightner's claim is good, appears to consist in the fact that his congregation, viz: Christ church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county, is a Swedes' church, not in union with this Convention; and as there seems to be no sufficient reason for restricting the phrase of the Constitution "some parish within this state" to mean a parish in union with the Convention, the undersigned is of opinion that Mr. Lightner's claim ought to be allowed.

G. EMLEN HARE.

Mr. Parry moved that the Rev. E. N. Lightner be admitted to a seat in this Convention, which, after discussion, was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet moved that when the Convention adjourned, it would adjourn to meet to-morrow morning, at half past eight o'clock, for religious services, it being The Ascension Day. It was moved to amend, by striking out "religious services," and inserting "business," with the understanding that the Convention would attend divine service at a later hour. The amendment was lost. The Convention then suspended the standing resolution as to the hours of meeting so far as related to the session of Thursday morning, and adopted the resolution offered by Rev. Dr. Ducachet.

The Convention then adjourned.

G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

THE ASCENSION DAY, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
Philadelphia, Thursday morning, May 17, A. D. 1849, 8½ o'clock.

The Convention met, and being the Ascension Day, attended the services appropriate to the Festival. The Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Dorr, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Long, who read the Lessons. The Ante-communion service was read by the Bishop.

The Convention was called to order after service. The Roll was called, and the Minutes of yesterday, P. M. read and approved. The Rev. Mr. Leaf, not before present, answered to his name and took his seat; and the following Lay Deputies, not before present, also appeared and answered to their names, viz: Messrs. Hill Brinton, McDonald, Pearce, and J. Tucker.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Coleman, the election of officers and committees was made the order of the day for one o'clock P. M. this day.

The reports of the Treasurers of the Episcopal and Convention funds, and of the Trustees of the Christmas fund, were severally presented and read. [See Appendix.]

A communication from the Church of the Crucifixion was presented and read, viz.

At a special meeting of the vestry of the Church of the Crucifixion, held on May 16, 1849, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, by the spirit of the charter of this church, the control of it is vested in persons who must be in full standing with the Convention of this diocese; and whereas, the Convention of 1847 received this church into union on the assumption that its government differed in essential particulars from that of the African church of St. Thomas; and whereas, though the seats of this church have been, and always will be, open freely and gratuitously for the religious instruction of coloured persons, the Rector, a large portion of the communicants, all the vestry, and all the contributors, by whom the vestry are elected, always have been, and still are whites; and whereas, all the funds of the church have been contributed on the faith of its government remaining as it is at present. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That this vestry consider the exclusion of coloured persons from the right of voting at elections to be required by

the spirit of the charter, and by the terms of the admission of the church into the Convention.

Resolved, That a by-law be and is hereby adopted, providing that no coloured person be entitled to vote for vestrymen, or for any officer of the church.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be forwarded to the Chairman of the special committee, raised by the Convention on the subject, and to the Secretary of the Convention."

FRANCIS WHARTON, Sec'ry.
O. EVANS SHANNON, Rector.

The Rev. Mr. Howe presented the following:

The standing committee report respectfully to the Convention, that the following churches, viz: Christ church, Madison, Jersey Town; Christ church, Holidaysburg, and St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore, appear to have made no report to the Convention for three years, (no Missionary report having been made on their behalf,) and also none of them to have employed a Clergyman as its parish minister, nor to have requested of the Bishop the services of a Missionary. M. A. DEWOLFE HOWE,

Philad. May 16, 1849. Sec'ry. of Standing Committee.

On motion of the same gentleman, it was then

Resolved, That Christ church, Madison, Jersey Town; Christ church, Hollidaysburg, and St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore, shall no longer have a right to send a deputy or deputies to the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Coleman submitted the following resolutions, which were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the removal by the House of Bishops of the disabilities imposed by that body on the Rt. Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D.D., would give great satisfaction to the individuals, clerical and lay, composing this Convention; and also, it is believed, to many others; as well in the Church generally, as in the diocese once under his jurisdiction.

Resolved, moreover, that while such removal would cheer the declining years of a venerable and distinguished servant of the Church, it would secure to his many admirable productions their just estimation by posterity; and be in accordance with the charity so eloquently portrayed in the teaching, and so consist-

ently exemplified in the conduct, of the great Apostle of the Gentiles.

Judge Conyngham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Messrs. F. Wharton, Charles E. Lex and H. A. Shackelford, lay deputies from the Church of the Crucifixion, be permitted, under the certificate of their appointment, filed with the Secretary, to take their seat, as present members of this Convention.

The vote was called for by orders, and was taken by ayes and noes, as follows, viz:

CLERGY.

Ayes.

Rev. T. G. Allen,
" J. A. Childs,
" S. A. Clark,
" J. M. Douglass,
" G. C. Drake,
" Geo. C. Fields,
" K. Goddard,
" R. D. Hall,
" Dr. Hare,
" Saml. Hazlehurst,
" W. J. Hilton,
" M. Hirst,
" M. A. D'W. Howe,
" G. Kirke,
Rev. Geo. D. Miles,
" George Mintzer,
" Dr. Morgan,
" H. E. Montgomery,
" Dr. Neville,
" T. J. Parvin,
" Thos. H. Quinan,
" Wm. Suddards,
" W. L. Suddards,
" P. Van Pelt,
" Dr. Vaughan,
" H. H. Weld,
" C. Wiltberger.—27

Nays.

Rev. F. W. Beasley,
" Dr. Bowman,
" Mr. Breck,
" " Buchanan,
" Dr. Carmichael,
" W. J. Clark,
" Dr. Clay,
" J. H. Coit,
" Dr. Coleman,
" W. C. Cooley,
Rev. S. Cowell,
" R. Davis,
" W. N. Diehl,
" Dr. Dorr,
" Dr. Ducachet,
" Geo. E. Durborow,
" Wm. Flint,
" N. S. Harris,
" H. P. Heister,
" G. P. Hopkins,

Rev. E. Leaf,	Rev. J. H. Smith,
" J. Long,	" H. S. Spackman,
" M. C. Lightner,	" T. A. Starkey,
" B. W. Morris,	" N. Stem,
" W. H. Norris,	" M. K. Talbot,
" W. H. Odenheimer,	" H. Tullidge,
" F. Ogilby,	" Dr. Upfold,
" J. Rodney,	" W. White,
" J. M. Rogers,	" E. Woodward,
" Peter Russell,	" J. A. Woodward,
" Geo. Sheets,	" C. B. Wyatt,
" R. Smith,	" T. C. Yarnall.—44.

LAY DEPUTIES.

CHURCHES.	AYES.	NAYS.	VOTE. Aye.	Nay.
Trinity, Pittsburg,		George R. White,		"
Christ, Reading,	Jno. S. Richards,		"	
St. Thomas', Morgantown,	Levi B. Smith,		"	
St. Andrew's, Yardleyville,	Saml. G. Slack,		"	
Grace, Hulmeville,	Edmund G. Harrison,		"	
Trinity, Centreville,		Wm. Stavely,		"
St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk,		Asa Packer,		"
St. John's, New London,		B. Franklin McDonald,		"
St. Mary's, Warwick,	Col. Thomas K. Bull,	Samuel Shaffer,	divided.	
St. Peter's, Great Valley,		John Tucker,		"
St. Paul's, W. Whiteland,		Jonathan Jones,		"
St. Andrew's, W. Vincent,		Henry Buckwalter,		"
St. Mark's, Honeybrook,		Caleb P. Talbot,		"
Holy Trinity, W. Chester,	Henry S. Evans,		"	
St. James', Downingtown,	John Stovell,		"	
Christ, Danville,		Peter Baldy,		"
Christ, Meadville,		Gaylord Church,		"
St. Stephen's, Harrisburg,	Hamilton Alrichs, Benjamin Parke, Benjamin S. Russell,		"	
Calvary, Rockdale,		Richd. S. Smith, John Fildes,		"
Bangor, Churchtown,	Edward Davies,		"	
All Saints', Paradise,	Joel Lightner,		"	
St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre,	John N. Conyngham,		"	
St. Thomas', Whitemarsh,		H. M. Sheaff,		"
St. James', Perkiomen,		Wm. Bean,		"
St. John's, Norristown,		John McKay,		"
Christ, Pottstown,		Robert E. Hobart,		"
St. Mark's, Sunbury,		Dr. Wm. P. Johnston,		"
Christ, Philadelphia,		James Y. Humphreys, James C. Booth, Dr. Francis West,		"
St. Peter's, Philadelphia,		James S. Smith, Henry Reed, Joseph R. Ingersoll,		"

CHURCHES.	YEAS.	NAYS.	VOTE. Aye.	Nay.
St. James', Philadelphia,		George M. Wharton,		
		James Cox,		"
St. Paul's, Philadelphia,	Wm. Alexander,		"	
St. Stephen's, Philadelphia,		C. N. Bancker,		
		William Kirkham,		
		Tobias Wagner,		"
St. Andrew's, Philadelphia,	Cornelius Stevenson,	Thomas Robins,		
	John C. Pechin,		"	
Grace, Philadelphia,	Herman Cope,			
	Francis Hoskins,		"	
Ascension, Philadelphia,	Dr. Samuel Lewis,		"	
St. Luke's, Philadelphia,	William Welsh,	James M. Aertsen,		
		John P. White,		"
Epiphany, Philadelphia,	Lewis R. Ashurst,		"	
Atonement, Philadelphia,	Edward C. Biddle,			
	John L. Goddard,			
	Wm. L. Rehn,		"	
St. John's, N. L.,		H. W. Chadwick,		"
Advent, N. L.,	Joseph S. Riley,	William Webb,	divided.	
All Saints', Moyamensing,		John C. Montgomery,		"
Evangelists, Southwark,	Giles Bolton,	Dr. R. K. Smith,	divided.	
Trinity, Southwark,		Wm. H. Klapp,		"
Gloria Dei, Southwark,		James Stewart,		
		John McKay,		"
St. Philip's, Spring Garden,	Thomas H. Powers,			
	Harry Conrad,			
	Samuel D. Patterson,		"	
Nativity, Spring Garden,		Thomas Thompson,		
		Thomas C. Hand,		"
Mediator,		Edw. Carpenter,		"
St. James', Kingsessing,		Aubrey H. Smith,		"
St. M .tthew's, Francisville,	Hon. George M. Stroud,			
	John Lambert,		"	
St. James' the Less, N. Penn,		Robert Ralston,		
		George Blight,		"
All Saints', Lower Dublin,		C. W. Harrison,		"
Emanuel, Holmesburg,		George Fox,		"
St. Mark's, Frankford,		James Williams,		
		Chas. S. Pancoast,		"
St. Luke's, Germantown,		John S. Littell,		
		Chas. M. Stokes,		"
Emanuel, Kensington,	Matthew McPaul,		"	
St. Mary's, W. Philada.,		Thomas Allibone,		"
St. David's, Manayunk,		Samuel Wagner,		"
Trinity, Pottsville,		Edward Owen Parry,		
		Andrew Russel,		"
Zion, Tuscarora,	John S. Struthers,		"	
Grace, Honesdale,	Jeremiah C. Gunn,		"	

Ayes, 21. Nays, 36. Divided, 3.

So the motion was lost.

'he Rev. Dr. Hare, from the committee on the claims of rgymen to seats, made report as follows:

The committee to whom were referred the claims of Clergymen to seats in the Convention, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have had the case of the Rev. Daniel S. Miller under consideration. That gentleman asks for a seat on the ground, that as Rector of the parish of St. Jude, in this city, he is "a settled minister of a parish within this State, and has been resident personally and canonically within this State during the time required by the 4th Article of the Constitution, and has for the same period been employed in performing the duties of his station." It appears to the committee that the Rev. Daniel S. Miller is entitled to a seat in the Convention; the only circumstance which threw a doubt on the subject was that the Rector of St. Jude's has, by the recommendation of the Vestry of his parish, refrained from regularly holding religious services in the quarter of the town where the church edifice stands, waiting for the consecration; but the committee do not consider that this ought to deprive the Rev. D. S. Miller of his seat, because he has been diligently performing the duties of his station as pointed out by the Vestry of his parish notwithstanding.

They have also had before them the case of the Rev. James Bonnar. As it appears from Mr. Bonnar's statement that he does not consider himself "one of the settled ministers of St. James' church, Philada.," the church in which he most frequently officiates; as the Seminary of which he is Principal is not incorporated by law; and as he does not put in a claim as a missionary or chaplain, the committee are unable to report favorably to his views.

In regard to the cases of the Rev. J. J. Kerr and the Rev. W. L. Suddards, which have been referred to them by the Convention, the committee have nothing but the hearsay information that they ceased to have charge of parishes by reason of infirm health, and the 4th Article of the Constitution provides that "no Clergyman of advanced years or infirm health, who had been once entitled to a seat in Convention, shall lose his right to a seat therein by reason of his having ceased to have charge of a parish."

In regard to the case of the Rev. F. Lane, it appears that the Vestry of St. Paul's church, Troy, Bradford county, refused expressly to employ him as "Rector for the ensuing year;" and

afterwards invited him to officiate until the vacancy in the rectorship should be supplied. As this invitation constitutes but a precarious connection, your committee are of opinion that Mr. Lane is not a settled minister of that parish, and therefore is not entitled to a seat in the Convention.

G. Emlen Hare.
W. M. Carmichael.
E. Neville.

On motion of Mr. Wm. Welsh, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Daniel S. Miller be admitted to a seat in the Convention.

Mr. Miller was thereupon called, and took his seat.

Mr. G. M. Wharton moved that the Rev. James Bonnar be admitted to a seat in the Convention.

Mr. J. S. Smith moved to postpone the consideration of the motion for the present, which was carried.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, the order of the day in reference to the elections, was postponed until 5 o'clock, P. M.

The Rev. Dr. Hare moved that so much of the report of the committee as relates to the cases of the Rev. W. L. Suddards and the Rev. J. J. Kerr, be adopted.

Pending the discussion of this question, the Convention, on motion, adjourned.

G. M. Wharton, Secretary.

Thursday, May 17, 5 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met. The calling of the roll was dispensed with, and the minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Committee on Charters reported as follows:

The Committee on Charters respectfully report—

That they have had under consideration the charters of Calvary church, Tamaqua; Zion church, Philadelphia county; Christ church, Milton, Northumberland county; St. James' church, West Marlborough, Chester county, and St. Bartholomew's church, Kensington:

And finding that they expressly accede to the Constitution, canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Epis-

copal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese, the committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Calvary church, Tamaqua; Zion church, Philadelphia county; Christ church, Milton, Northumberland co.; St. James' church, West Marlborough, Chester co., and St. Bartholomew's church, Kensington, be, and the same are hereby admitted into union with this Convention.

S. Bowman, Chairman.

Philad., May 17, 1849.

The resolution appended was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Howe presented the following:

The Secretary of the standing committee presents the Articles of Association of Hope church, Lancaster county; St. John's church, Marietta, Lancaster co., St. Paul's church, Columbia, Lancaster co., and reports that the standing committee have examined and approved them. M. A. DeWolfe Howe,

May 17, 1849. Secretary of Standing Committee.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Articles of Association mentioned were referred to the committee on charters.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael reported from the committee on the claims of Clergymen to seats, as follows:

The undersigned, being a majority of the committee on claims of Clergymen to seats in the Convention, beg leave respectfully to report, that the Rev. Benjamin I. Douglass does not appear, from any evidence at hand, to have been called either to the Rectorship or to the assistant Ministership of the parish of St. Matthew's church, Francisville, having merely tendered his services to the vestry, which were accepted, and therefore that he is not, in accordance with article 4th of the Constitution, nor indeed in any canonical sense, "a regularly settled minister of this church."

The undersigned, therefore, submit the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That the Rev. Benjamin I. Douglass is not entitled to a seat in this Convention.

Wm. M. Carmichael.

Philad., May 17, 1849. E. Neville.

The Rev. Dr. Hare presented a minority report, as follows:

The undersigned, the minority of the committee on claims of Clergymen to seats in Convention, respectfully reports, in regard to the case of the Rev. B. I. Douglass, whose title to a seat has been recognized by the Bishop, but referred for re-investigation to the committee, 1st, that under the 4th article of the Constitution of this diocese, "Clergymen of whatever order," whether Presbyters or Deacons, the one not less than the other, are expressly entitled to places in the Convention, if they are settled ministers of some parish within this state, and have been labouring as such for twelve calendar months; 2d, that some fifteen months since the Rev. Mr. Douglass, a Deacon of the diocese, was by the Bishop, under the 17th Canon of 1832, appointed to officiate in St. Matthew's church, Francisville—a church where the Rector is unable to perform more than a small part of the usual duties of the pastoral office; 3d, that this appointment of the Bishop having been formally accepted by a vote of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the church concerned, without limit of time, and Mr. Douglass having under this appointment faithfully laboured for more than twelve calendar months, this Deacon is, under the language of the Constitution, as much entitled to a seat in this body as is the other Minister of the parish, and ought not, by the act of the Convention, to be deprived of the right which has been conceded to him by the list of the Bishop. G. Emlen Hare.

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Rev. Dr. Upfold moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject, and proceed to the order of the day, which was agreed to.

The Convention thereupon proceeded to vote for members of the standing committee. The Rev. Messrs. Clemson, Natt, Goddard and Morris being appointed tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Messrs. Kirkham, Blight, Goddard and Ashhurst tellers to receive the votes of the lay representations.

While the tellers were engaged in counting the votes, the Rev. Mr. Harris, by leave, presented the following report:

The committee appointed by the last Convention to furnish a plan for the increase of free seats in our churches, respectfully

report, that after mature deliberation, the committee think that at least ten per cent. of the seats in each church should be free, or perhaps it would be wise to assign a portion of them to poor persons at a very small charge. The position of these seats should depend upon the location of, or interior arrangements in the church building, consulting the pleasure and profit of this class of worshippers by not making them too conspicuous.

The adoption of this recommendation by most of our churches will be impracticable unless there is a liberal subscription by such as have talents of money placed at their disposal.

As our blessed Saviour commended the cause of the poor and the stranger to his children, therefore in the mind of your committee it is a promising sign that the General Convention has called upon the Church to make provision for their spiritual wants; for surely if this interesting portion of the flock of the Good Shepherd is not cared for to the extent of its need and our ability, we must in vain look for a full blessing from the great Head of the Church.

The following resolution is submitted for the consideration of the Convention.

Resolved, That the parish Clergy of this Diocese be, and are hereby requested to bring the subject of an ample provision of seats for the poor and stranger before their respective congregations, at such time and in such manner as they may deem best calculated to promote the desired end.

N. Sayre Harris,
W. H. Odenheimer,
Wm. Welsh,
Rich'd R. Montgomery,
Edw'd C. Biddle,
} *Committee.*

The resolution appended was adopted.

Mr. Ingersoll, by leave, also, submitted the following, which was carried:

Resolved, That among the particulars to be reported by each Parish Clergyman in his annual report, shall be—the property other than the church building and lot owned by the parish—the amount of indebtedness of the church of the parish—the amount

of salary which the Clergyman is entitled to receive, and whether the same be in arrear, and to what extent.

The Rev. Dr. Upfold offered the following:

Resolved, That no Clergyman shall be entitled to a seat in this Convention on the ground of inability to discharge the duties of a parish on account of impaired health, until such Clergyman shall have presented to the ecclesiastical authority a certificate from a physician stating the fact, and the nature and probable continuance of the disease with which he is afflicted.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Aertsen presented the following report:

The committee to whom were referred the resolutions offered by the Rev. Mr. Davis, at the last meeting of Convention, (Journal, page 53,) report, that they have had the matter under serious consideration, and while they cannot recommend any action upon them by the Convention, yet they deem it their duty to say, that they find in them much that is worthy of consideration, and which may, at some time, be brought into action in the church.

The committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient, at present, for the Convention to take further action in reference to the subjects proposed by the resolutions of the Rev. Mr. Davis.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES M. AERTSEN, for the Committee.

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The resolution accompanying the report was adopted.

Mr. Robins presented the account of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund. See Appendix.

On Mr. Robins' motion, the following gentlemen were appointed Trustees of the Christmas Fund for the ensuing year, viz: W. H. Newbold, Moses Kempton, John Welsh, Jr. and Thomas M. Pettit.

Mr. Robins also presented the following, which was adopted.

Resolved, That until the next stated Convention, the expenses of the Bishop, upon his Episcopal visitation, be paid out of the Convention fund, provided that the amount so paid do not exceed the sum of $350.

The Rev. Mr. Douglass presented the following petition:

To the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, in Convention assembled.

The petition of the Vestry of St. Thomas' African Protestant Episcopal Church, by the minister and church wardens, respectfully represents:—That the aforesaid church have been duly organized, constituted a body politic according to the laws of the Commonwealth, have conformed to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Church for more than half a century, yet to this day she stands unacknowledged as a branch of the Church in her representative capacity. Your petitioners further represent, that they are fully convinced of the superior adaptedness of the order of our church to the wants of the people represented by them, and that its having failed to command a more universal acceptance among them, is owing, more than anything else, to the anomalous and undignified position we occupy, furnishing as it does ground of no little discontent within, and of much deriding from without. We therefore pray your honourable body to repeal the 8th regulation which prohibits the aforesaid church from being represented in the Convention. All of which is most respectfully submitted to the consideration of your honourable body.

Signed in behalf of the Vestry of St. Thomas' church, in the city of Philadelphia, May, 1849.

WM. DOUGLASS, Rector.
JAMES NEEDHAM, } Wardens.
JOHN L. HART, }

And submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the eighth revised regulation of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Pennsylvania be rescinded.

Mr. Allibone moved to lay the resolution upon the table, which was carried.

Rev. Mr. Hazlehurst offered the following:

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Bishop's Charge, delivered before this Convention, be printed for distribution.

On motion of Dr. R. K. Smith, the resolution was amended by inserting two thousand instead of one thousand, and so amended, the resolution was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Morgan moved that the Convention proceed to the

consideration of the proposed amendment to the 6th article of the Constitution, to be found on p. 57 of the printed Journal of last year, which was agreed to. And the question being taken by orders, each order voting separately, the said proposed amendment was again approved of by a majority of the two orders; and the change in the Constitution took place accordingly.

The vote was as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.

Rev. T. G. Allen,	Rev. M. C. Lightner,
" F. W. Beasley,	" Geo. D. Miles,
" Dr. Bowman,	" George Mintzer,
" Mr. Buchanan,	" Dr. Morgan,
" Dr. Carmichael,	" H. E. Montgomery,
" S. A. Clark,	" Dr. Neville,
" W. J. Clark,	" W. H. Odenheimer,
" Dr. Clay,	" F. Ogilby,
" J. H. Coit,	" Thos. H. Quinan,
" Dr. Coleman,	" J. M. Rogers,
" W. C. Cooley,	" Peter Russell,
" R. Davis,	" Geo. Sheets,
" Dr. Dorr,	" R. Smith,
" B. J. Douglass,	" J. H. Smith,
" J. M. Douglass,	" T. A. Starkey,
" G. C. Drake,	" Wm. Suddards,
" Dr. Ducachet,	" M. K. Talbot,
" Geo. E. Durborow,	" H. Tullidge,
" Geo. C. Fields,	" Dr. Upfold,
" Wm. Flint,	" P. Van Pelt,
" N. S. Harris,	" Dr. Vaughan,
" Dr. Hare,	" H. H. Weld,
" Saml. Hazlehurst,	" W. White,
" H. P. Heister,	" C. Wiltberger,
" W. J. Hilton,	" E. Woodward,
" M. Hirst,	" J. A. Woodward,
" M. A. D'W. Howe,	" C. B. Wyatt,
" E. Leaf,	" T. C. Yarnall,
" J. Long,	" Bishop Potter.—58.

NAYS.

Rev. S. Cowell, Rev. H. S. Spackman.—3.
" G. P. Hopkins,

Of the Lay Representations—

CHURCHES.	YEAS.	NAYS.	VOTE.	
			AYE.	NAY.
Trinity, City of Pittsburg,	George R. White,		"	
St. Gabriel's, Morlattin,	Isaac Yocum,		"	
Christ, Reading,	Jno. S. Richards,		"	
Trinity, Centreville,	Wm. Stavely,		"	
St. John's, Bellefonte,	Wm. H. Parsons,		"	
St. John's, New London,	B. F. McDonald,		"	
St. Mary's, Warwick,	Samuel Shaffer,			
	Col. Thomas K. Bull,		"	
St. Paul's, West Whiteland,	Jonathan Jones,		"	
St. Andrew's, West Vincent,	Henry Buckwalter,		"	
St. Mark's, Honeybrook,	Caleb P. Talbot,		"	
Christ, Meadville,	Gaylord Church,		"	
St. Stephen's, Harrisburg,	Hamilton Alriche,			
	Benjamin S. Russel,		"	
St. David's, Newtown,	Isaac Norton,		"	
Calvary, Rockdale,	Richd. S. Smith,		"	
St. James' Lancaster,	Wm. O. Gilbert,	Thos. Jeffries,	divided.	
Bangor, Caernarvon,	Edward Davies,		"	
All Saints', Paradise,	Joseph B. Baker,			
	Joel Lightner,		"	
St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre,	John N. Conyngham,		"	
St. Thomas', Whitemarsh,	M. M. Sheaff,		"	
St. James', Perkiomen,	Wm. Bean,		"	
St. John's, Norristown,	John McKay,		"	
St. Mark's, Sunbury,	Dr. Wm. P. Johnston,		"	
Christ, Philadelphia,	James Y. Humphreys,			
	Dr. Francis West,			
	James C. Booth,		"	
St. Peter's, Philadelphia,	James S. Smith,			
	Henry Reed,			
	Joseph R. Ingersoll,		"	
St. James', Philadelphia,	George M. Wharton,			
	James Cox,			
	Joseph Carson,		"	
St. Paul's, Philadelphia,	Wm. Alexander,		"	
St. Stephen's, Philadelphia,	Charles N. Bancker,			
	William Kirkham,			
	Tobias Wagner,		"	
St. Andrew's, Philadelphia,	Cornelius Stevenson,			
	John C. Pechin,		"	
Grace, Philadelphia,	Herman Cope,			
Ascension, Philadelphia,	Dr. Samuel Lewis,		"	

CHURCHES.	YEAS.	NAYS.	VOTE. Aye.	Nay.
St. Luke's, Philadelphia,	James M. Aertsen,			
	John P. White,		"	
Epiphany, Philadelphia,	Lewis R. Ashburst,		"	
Atonement, Philadelphia,	John L. Goddard,			
	William L. Rehn,		"	
St. John's, N. Liberties,	Wm. Letford,			
	H. W. Chadwick,		"	
Advent, Northern Liberties,	Joseph S. Riley,			
	William Webb,			
	Frederick R. Backus,		"	
All Saints', Moyamensing,	James Ridings,			
	John C. Montgomery,			
	Wm. Robinson, Jr.,		"	
Evangelists, Southwark,	Dr. R. K. Smith,		"	
Trinity, Southwark,	William H. Klapp,			
	Clement S. Rutter,		"	
Gloria Dei, Southwark,	James Stewart,			
	Alexander McLeester,			
	John McKay,		"	
St. Philip's, Spring Garden,	Thomas H. Powers,			
	Harry Conrad,			
	Samuel D. Patterson,		"	
Nativity, Spring Garden,	Thomas Thompson,			
	James M. Davis,			
	Thomas C. Hand,		"	
Redemption, Spring Garden,	Osmon Reed,		"	
Mediator,	Edw. Carpenter,			
	John McCouch,		"	
St. Matthew's, Francisville,	Hon. Geo. M. Stroud,			
	John Lambert,		"	
St. James the Less, N. Penn,	Robert Ralston,			
	George Blight,		"	
St. Mark's, Frankford,	Chas. S. Pancoast,		"	
St. Luke's, Germantown,	John S. Littell,		"	
Emanuel, Kensington,	Matthew McPaul,		"	
St. Mary's, W. Philadelphia,	Joseph O. Cuthbert,			
	Thomas Allibone,		"	
St. David's, Manayunk,	Samuel Wagner,		"	
Trinity, Pottsville,	Edw. Owen Parry,			
	Andrew Russel,		"	
St. Paul's, Minersville,	Henry W. Lewis,		"	
Zion, Tuscarora,	John S. Struthers,		"	
		Ayes, 52.	Divided, 1.	

The amendment reads thus:

"Resolved, That the following words in the 6th Article of the Constitution, viz: 'all officers and committees appointed by ballot, must, in order to their election, receive the votes of a majo-

rity of the Clerical members, and of the Lay Representations,' be stricken out, and in place thereof, there be inserted as follows:

"All officers and committees appointed by ballot, must in order to their election, receive a majority of the whole number of votes cast at such election by each order; provided that there shall be no election, except of Secretary and Assistant Secretary, unless there are present at the time, a majority of the Clerical members, and a majority of the Lay Representations, who shall have appeared during the session, and been admitted to seats; and such election, except that of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Convention, shall be held at five o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of the session; and provided also, that if no such majority of the Clerical members and of the Lay Representations be present at that time, or if said elections be not completed, such elections shall be postponed until ten o'clock of the morning of the next day, when the same shall be proceeded in without regard to the number then present."

The tellers being prepared to report in reference to the election for members of the standing committee, made report as follows:

VOTE OF THE CLERGY.

Clerical Members.	received.	Lay Members.	received.
Rev. G. E. Hare, D. D.	49	Thos. Robins,	49
" H. J. Morton, D. D.	55	G. M. Wharton,	46
" M. A. D'W. Howe,	47	R. S. Smith,	28
" J. C. Clay,	48	T. M. Pettit,	28
" N. S. Harris,	32	Henry Reed,	26
" F. Ogilby,	27	J. R. Wilmer,	26
" H.W.Ducachet, D. D.	26	H. Binney, Jr.,	26
" Dr. Coleman,	26	G. M. Stroud,	27
" W. Suddards,	24	J. S. Newbold,	25
" R. Newton,	18	J. R. Ingersoll,	24
" E. Neville, D. D.	7	W. Welsh,	23
" J. A. Vaughan, D. D.	4	E. Olmstead,	21
" B. Dorr, D. D.	2	S. R. Davies,	16
" P. Van Pelt,	1	T. H. Powers,	4
" W. H. Odenheimer,	1	J. M. Aertsen,	1
" W. B. Stevens,	1		

74 votes—38 necessary to an Election.

VOTE OF THE LAITY.

Clerical Members.		Lay Members.	
Rev. Dr. Morton,	45	Mr. Robins,	43
" Dr. Hare,	42	Mr. Wharton,	39
" Mr. Howe,	41	Judge Stroud,	25
" Dr. Clay,	38	Judge Pettit,	24
" Mr. Suddards,	26	Mr. R. S. Smith,	32
" Dr. Coleman,	25	" W. Welsh,	22
" Mr. Harris,	24	" Newbold,	22
" " Ogilby,	22	" Reed,	22
" Dr. Ducachet,	22	" Ingersoll,	21
" Mr. Newton,	17	" Binney,	21
" Dr. Neville,	8	" Wilmer,	21
" Dr. Vaughan,	7	" Olmsted,	17
" Dr. Stevens.	2	" S. N. Davies,	15
		" T. H. Powers,	6

64 votes cast—33 necessary to a choice.

The Bishop thereupon announced that the Rev. Drs. Morton, Clay and Hare, and the Rev. Mr. Howe, of the Clergy—and Messrs. T. Robins and G. M. Wharton, of the laity, having received a majority of the votes cast, had been duly elected members of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year, and that no one of the other persons voted for had received the requisite majority of votes.

The Convention then, on motion, adjourned until Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

Adjourned. G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

Friday, May 18, A. D, 1849, 9 o'clock, A. M.
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA.

The Convention met, and the meeting was opened with appropriate collects by the Bishop. The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday P. M. read and approved. Messrs. Jeffries and Kempton, lay deputies, not before present, answered to their names, and took their seats. The Rev. Mr. Buchanan offered the following amendment to the first revised regulations.

Resolved, That the first of the revised regulations be amended by the addition to it of the words, " And except the receiving of

nominations to the different offices to be filled by the Convention." The resolution was agreed to.

The Rev. Dr. Upfold offered the following:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the Convention fund be requested to devise and report to the next annual Convention of the diocese, some plan, in addition to the existing provision of the fourth revised regulation, for securing contributions to the Convention fund, sufficient to meet the necessary expenses of the clergy in attending the Convention, in addition to the current expenses of the Convention.

Which was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Childs submitted the following as an amendment to the first section of the fourth article of the constitution, modifying it upon the suggestion of the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, viz.

After the words "having ceased," in 24th line, art. iv., add the words following, viz.; "on account of such disability," "and on the re-establishment of the health of any clergyman, who shall have been allowed to retain his seat, on the ground of infirm health, his right to a seat in the Convention on that ground, shall forthwith cease and determine."

Which was laid upon the table for the present.

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day, the same tellers acting as on yesterday. While the tellers were counting the votes, the Rev. Dr. Dorr by leave offered the following. Which was adopted.

This Convention, having heard with lively satisfaction from their Bishop in his late address, of the success of "the Churchmen's Missionary Association for Seamen of the port of Philadelphia," do heartily recommend that institution to the zealous support and fostering care of Episcopalians throughout this diocese, as an important mean, under God, of promoting the welfare of an interesting and much neglected class of men.

The Rev. Mr. Montgomery submitted the ensuing resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the petition of the African Church of St. Thomas, to have the eighth revised regulation rescinded, be taken up and referred to a committee of five, with instructions, to report thereupon at the next Convention.

The motion was laid upon the table, in order to receive the report of the tellers, who thereupon reported as follows:

VOTE OF THE CLERGY.

Clergy. 67—34 maj.		*Laity.*	
Rev. Dr. Vaughan,	35	Mr. R. S. Smith,	4
" " Coleman,	29	" W. Welsh,	36
" " Neville,	1	" T. M. Pettit,	38
" " Ducachet,	1	" J. S. Newbold,	17
" N. S. Harris,	1	Prof. H. Reed,	22
		Mr. H. Binney, Jr.	26
		Hon. J. R. Ingersoll,	18
		Mr. J. S. Smith,	1
		Dr. F. West,	1
		Hon. G. M. Stroud,	1

VOTE OF THE LAITY.

Whole number of votes polled, 56
Necessary to a choice, 29

Clergy.		*Laity.*	
Rev. Dr. Vaughan,	31	Rich. S. Smith,	34
" " Coleman,	22	T. M. Pettit,	34
" Mr. Ogilby,	1	Wm. Welsh,	29
" " Suddards,	1	H. Binney, Jr.	21
" " Harris,	1	James S. Newbold,	20
		H. Reed,	15
		J. R. Ingersoll,	12
		George M. Stroud,	2
		Saml. N. Davies,	1

The Bishop thereupon announced that the Rev. Dr. Vaughan had been duly elected the remaining clerical member of the standing committee, and that Messrs. R. S. Smith, T. M. Pettit and Wm. Welsh had been duly elected the remaining lay members of the same committee.

On motion of J. S. Smith, the election of deputies to the General Convention was then indefinitely postponed.

The Convention then proceeded to the consideration of the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Montgomery, and it was adopted.

The committee appointed were, Rev. Messrs. Montgomery, Hare and Breck, and Messrs. G. M. Wharton and T. Wagner.

The Rev. Dr. Morgan from the committee on charters reported as follows:

The Committee on Charters, having examined the charters of St. Paul's church, Columbia—St. John's church, Marietta—and Hope church, Lancaster county, and finding that they respectively accede to the constitution, canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States, and to the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal church in this diocese, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That St. Paul's church, Columbia—St. John's church, Marietta—and Hope church, Lancaster county, be and the same are hereby admitted into union with this Convention.

Philad. May 17, 1849. S. Bowman, Chairman.

The resolution annexed was adopted.

Mr. J. M. Aertsen submitted the following as a proposed amendment to the third section of the fourth article of the constitution:

Add, after the words "six calendar months next before his election," the following words:

Provided also, That the vestry of said church shall have been elected by the votes of the congregation, or holders of pews or sittings in the same, and the charter provides for their election in such manner, and *provided also*, That this prohibition shall not apply to the charters of such churches as have been admitted into union with the Convention, prior to May, in the year of our Lord 1850.

Judge Stroud moved to refer the proposition before the Convention, and any other proposed amendments to the constitution to a select committee of five, to report at the next Convention, which prevailed. The Bishop was on motion, added to the committee. The committee was named by the Bishop, as follows:—Rev. Dr. Ducachet, Rev. Mr. Howe, Messrs. J. S. Smith, Stroud and Conyngham.

The Rev. Mr. Goddard moved, to refer to the above committee a proposition, further to amend the third section of the

fourth article, by inserting the words "and also a communicant," after the word "worshipper," which reference was agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Spackman moved to refer to the same committee, "the following proposed amendment to the fourth article:

Strike out in the fourth article of the constitution (p. 80) from the word "Convention," where it occurs, to the words "no church shall be admitted," and insert as follows:

Every clergyman of the church, of whatever order, who has been actually and personally, as well as canonically, resident within this state, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention shall be entitled to a seat, and vote in the Convention, provided, that any temporary absence from the state, by reason of sickness, and any such absence, not exceeding in the whole two calendar months, in any one year, and any such absence with the written permission of the Bishop of this diocese, or of the standing committee in the case of a vacancy in the Episcopal chair, shall be taken into account, in computing the said residence, and provided also, that no clergyman, while under a sentence of suspension from the ministry, shall have a seat in this Convention.

The reference was not agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Howe moved to refer the following proposed amendment to the fourth article of the constitution to the above special committee.

Resolved, in the fourth article of the constitution, to strike out the word "twelve," and insert instead the word "six," after the words resident in this state, for the space of ——, and after the words "duties of the station," to insert the words "or have been instituted." Which was agreed to.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, the committee proceeded to the consideration of the resolution attached to the report of the majority of the committee upon the claims of clergymen to seats, in reference to the case of the Rev. B. J. Douglass, and the reports of the majority and minority of the committee were again read. After discussion, the Rev. Mr. Buchanan moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject, which was lost. The Rev. Dr. Hare then moved as an amendment to strike out all after the word "Resolved," and insert as follows; "That the Rev. B. I. Douglass is entitled to a seat in this Con-

vention." The vote was taken on this question by orders, and resulted as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.

Rev. T. G. Allen,
" Dr. Bowman,
" J. A. Childs,
" S. A. Clark,
" W. J. Clark,
" Dr. Clay,
" J. B. Clemson,
" J. H. Coit,
" W. C. Cooley,
" S. Cowell,
" J. M. Douglass,
" G. C. Drake,
" Geo. C. Fields,
" K. Goddard,
" R. D. Hall,
" A. B. Hard,
" N. S. Harris,
" Dr. Hare,
" Saml. Hazlehurst,
" W. J. Hilton,
" G. P. Hopkins,
" M. Hirst,
" M. A. D'W. Howe,
" G. Kirke,
" J. Long,
Rev. Geo. D. Miles,
" Mr. Miller,
" George Mintzer,
" Dr. Morgan,
" H. E. Montgomery,
" B. W. Morris,
" G. W. Natt,
" W. H. Norris,
" W. H. Odenheimer,
" F. Ogilby,
" T. J. Parvin,
" W. S. Perkins,
" Peter Russell,
" Geo. Sheets,
" J. H. Smith,
" T. A. Starkey,
" M. K. Talbot,
" H. Tullidge,
" P. Van Pelt,
" Dr. Vaughan,
" H. H. Weld,
" C. Wiltberger.
" T. C. Yarnall.
" Bp. Potter.—49.

NAYS.

Rev. Mr. Breck,
" " Buchanan,
" Dr. Carmichael,
" Dr. Coleman,
" Dr. Dorr,
" Dr. Ducachet,
Rev. M. C. Lightner,
" Thos. H. Quinan,
" J. Rodney,
" R. Smith,
" H. S. Spackman,
" Dr. Upfold—12.

LAY REPRESENTATIONS.

CHURCHES.	AYES.	NAYS.	DIVIDED.
Trinity, Pittsburg,		"	
St. Gabriel's, Morlattin,	"		
Christ, Reading,	"		
Trinity, Centreville,	"		
Christ, Danville,	"		
Christ, Meadville,		"	
Bangor, Churchtown,	"		
All Saints', Paradise,	"		
St Stephen's, Wilkesbarre,	"		
St. James', Perkiomen,	"		
St. John's, Norristown,	"		
Christ, Pottstown,	"		
Christ, Philadelphia,		"	
St. Peter's, Philadelphia,		"	
St. James', Philadelphia,	"		
St. Paul's, Philadelphia,	"		
St. Stephen's, Philadelphia,		"	
St. Andrew's, Philadelphia,	"		
Grace, Philadelphia,	"		
Ascension, Philadelphia,	"		
St. Luke's, Philadelphia,	"		
Epiphany, Philadelphia,	"		
Atonement, Philadelphia,	"		
St. John's, Northern Liberties,	"		
Advent, Northern Liberties,	"		
Evangelists, Southwark,		"	
Gloria Dei, Southwark,	"		
St. Philip's, Spring Garden,	"		
Nativity, Spring Garden,	"		
Mediator, Philadelphia,	"		
St. Matthew's, Francisville,	"		
St. James the Less, North Penn,		"	
All Saints', Lower Dublin,	"		
St. Mark's, Frankford,	"		
St. Luke's, Germantown,			"
Emanuel, Kensington,	"		
St. Mary's, West Philadelphia,	"		
St. David's, Manayunk,		"	
Zion, Tuscarora,	"		
	Ayes, 30.	Nays, 8.	Divided, 1.

So the resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Bowman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the standing committee be requested to confer with the trustees of the corporation for the relief of the widows and children of deceased clergymen, and to report to the next

Convention, whether it be practicable, and if practicable, expedient to effect any change in the fundamental laws of said corporation, which will make it more available for the purposes, for which it was instituted.

Which was adopted.

On motion of the secretary, he was authorized to have 750 copies of the Journal printed.

It was, also, on his motion, *Resolved*, That the next annual meeting of the Convention be held in St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1850, at 5 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Robins, it was *Resolved*, That two hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated toward the payment of mileage to rectors of churches, that have made contributions to the Convention fund for the current year, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay the same to such clergymen as make application, pro rata, according to their actual expenses.

On motion of Mr. Jno. S. Richards,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the vestry of St. Andrew's church, for the accommodations furnished to them at the present session.

The Rev. Mr. Harris moved, that the Convention proceed to the consideration of a portion of unfinished business, being a proposed repeal of Canon 3d, Sec. 2, of Canon 5th, the last paragraph of 1st Sec., 6th, 7th and 8th Sections of Canon 6th and Canon 7th. See printed Journal of 1848, p. 22, but the house refused to proceed to the consideration of the subject.

The minutes were then read, preparatory to adjournment.

When, after some earnest remarks addressed by the Bishop to the members, and after suitable collects offered by him, and after his benediction, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

G. M. WHARTON, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Adderly, Rector of the Parish of St. Peter's Church, in Fallston, in the county of Beaver, for the year ending May 1st, 1849.

St. Peter's Church, Fallston.

Congregation, families, 11; adults, 11; children, 18; total, 40; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, added, 4; removed, 3; present number, 15; marriages, 4; burials, 3; services on Sunday, 18.

St. Paul's Church.

Families, 25; adults, 38; children, 25; total, 88; baptisms, adults, 2; children, 6; total, 8; confirmed, 13; communicants, added, 2; removed, 5; present number, 52; marriages, 1; burials, 2; public services on Sunday, 36; other days, 4; total, 40; lectures, 18; collections for church objects, $21.

Georgetown Church, Georgetown.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 8; children, 16; total, 34; baptisms, infants, 6; communicants, 15; burials, 7; public services on Sunday, 18; other days, 4; total, 22; collection for church objects, $10.

The condition of the first mentioned congregation is very discouraging, that of the other two rather encouraging.

Report of the Rev. Thomas G. Allen.

I continue in about the same missionary field as mentioned in a former report.

During the year ending with this day, (May 16th,) I have officiated or assisted in the services of the Church, when I have not lectured or preached, on 17 occasions. I have administered, or assisted in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on 18 occasions. I have baptized 44 persons. In preaching, lecturing, &c., I have officiated on 219 occasions; married 25 couple, and officiated on 63 funeral occasions.

During the year up to March 12th, my pastoral visits have

been 998; 991 of them to the sick, afflicted, &c. There have been distributed a few Bibles and New Testaments, 20 Prayer Books, and 45,870 pages of tracts, in which is included 25,700 pages of the tract Morning and Evening Prayers for Children and Youth, &c.

My monthly appointment at the Widows' Asylum, also, my weekly appointment in the Magdalen Asylum, and at my own house are continued.

Report of Rev. Breed Batcheller, Rector of Christ Church, Greensburg, St. Peter's Church, Blairsville, Westmoreland and Indiana counties.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENSBURG.

Congregation, families, 17; communicants, 25; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, male, 1; female, 7; scholars, 32; Bible class, 1; scholars, 14; public services on Sundays, 48; on other days, 39; burial service, 1; communion, 3; Bible class on Saturday evenings, 26; examination of the Sunday school, with an explanation of the Church service, 21; baptism, 1; whole number of public services for 8½ months, 87; other services, 48; total, 135; collections, foreign missions, $5; Episcopate, 4; total, $9; parochial, for lamps, &c. $18.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BLAIRSVILLE.

Congregation, families, 11; communicants, 14; Sunday school, 1; teachers, male, 2; female, 3; scholars, 18; public services on Sundays, 34; on other days, 11; communion, 3; baptisms, 3; Bible class, and Sunday school instruction, with occasional explanations of the Church service, 10; whole number of public services for 8½ months, 45; of other services, 10; total, 55; collections, Episcopate, $3 52; collections here made for parochial purposes, and for the repair of the church, for procuring a melodeon, for lamps, &c. &c., with the aid kindly contributed by friends in Pittsburg and other places, 86; total, $89 52; whole number of public and other services for 8½ months in both places, 190; average per week, 5.

Report of the Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Springville, Susquehanna county.

Congregation, families, about 40; baptisms, adults, 2; communicants, added, 5; died, 1; present number, about 50; fune-

rals, 1; public services on Sundays, 77; other days, 33; total, 109; children publicly catechised, 3 times; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 30.

The above is a report of services for a period of only eight months. This report is in some respects less accurate than I could wish. I found no correct register of families in the parish on taking charge, nor any register whatever of communicants. There had been no Rector in the parish for a period of eighteen months previous to my taking charge, and consequently the church had suffered the usual inconveniences attendant upon such vacancy. But there is reason to hope that an improvement has been steadily going on, both in the internal and external condition of the parish. The rectory, which was somewhat dilapidated, was repaired and made comfortable; but as it was smaller than was needed, the ladies, by a praiseworthy effort, have contracted for the building of two additional rooms, which will be completed in the course of the present month, and which they expect to pay for by the funds acquired by their own exertions and industry. The vestry have erected a substantial building for a carriage-house and stables, and enclosed the lot and buildings by a neat fence. There has been a subscription started for the purchase of a bell, and about two-thirds of the sum required has been subscribed. We hope to be able to paint the interior of the church during the ensuing summer by means of the weekly offerings. The church has been supplied with a neat set of lamps, a Bible and Prayer Books, being a donation from a liberal and kind-hearted member of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia. These, with the improvements above mentioned, will make our arrangements nearly complete. A small debt, however, will be incurred by these improvements, which, when liquidated, the congregation will feel themselves to be in a state of prosperity which they have not hitherto enjoyed. It is with pleasure I record their unwearied kindness to myself and family, and their ceaseless efforts to make us comfortable. My salary has been paid quarterly, and as yet no delinquency has been manifested. It is believed the members of the communion are, with some exceptions, perhaps, growing in spirituality, while the number added to the communion indicate spiritual life, and give strong reasons for hope of still further and higher improvement.

I have usually three services on Sunday, a monthly communion, and a service and lecture during the week. Occasionally I preach in the afternoon of Sunday at some point a few miles distant from the church where good congregations assemble.

Report of the Rev. F. W. Beasley, Rector of All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county, Pa.

Our plan for our public services is to have on each Sunday in the year, that for the morning at All Saints' church, that for the afternoon at the chapel at Oak Grove; and during Lent, one service in the week at each of these places.

Baptisms, adults, 10; infants, 23; total, 33; confirmed, 9. We have sustained losses in the number of our communicants by deaths, and removals from the parish. Present number about 40; marriages, 4; Sunday schools, 2. That at Oak Grove is taught by the Rector alone; children catechised, once every month during the year at All Saints; every Sunday afternoon at Oak Grove; collections, Advancement Society, $17 66; Episcopal fund, 7 66; Christmas fund, 7 61; for the Bishop White Monumental church, 8 69; monthly collections at Oak Grove, 13 95; at offertory, at All Saints on two occasions, for Missions, 5 96; at Oak Grove chapel, one collection, 77½ cents; subscriptions for church purposes, 205; for stable at parsonage, 61; for seraphina for all Saints, 84; Convention fund, 5 25; total, $122 98½.

Report of the Rev. A. Beatty, Rector of the parish of Zion Church, Tuscarora, Schuylkill county.

Congregation, families, 15; adults, 50; children, 65; total, 115; communicants, 6; public services on Sundays, 46; other days, 5; total, 51; Sunday school teachers, 8; pupils, 65; Bible classes, 2; members, 25; collections for missionary and other purposes, $6 54.

I took charge of this parish shortly after my ordination, in July last, and have great reason to be thankful for the measure of success which has attended my labours. The prospects of the parish are encouraging. The Sunday school continues to be a blessing to the town, and the congregation such as to give cause for devout gratitude to God.

fourth article, by inserting the words "and also a communicant," after the word "worshipper," which reference was agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Spackman moved to refer to the same committee, "the following proposed amendment to the fourth article:

Strike out in the fourth article of the constitution (p. 80) from the word "Convention," where it occurs, to the words "no church shall be admitted," and insert as follows:

Every clergyman of the church, of whatever order, who has been actually and personally, as well as canonically, resident within this state, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention shall be entitled to a seat, and vote in the Convention, provided, that any temporary absence from the state, by reason of sickness, and any such absence, not exceeding in the whole two calendar months, in any one year, and any such absence with the written permission of the Bishop of this diocese, or of the standing committee in the case of a vacancy in the Episcopal chair, shall be taken into account, in computing the said residence, and provided also, that no clergyman, while under a sentence of suspension from the ministry, shall have a seat in this Convention.

The reference was not agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Howe moved to refer the following proposed amendment to the fourth article of the constitution to the above special committee.

Resolved, in the fourth article of the constitution, to strike out the word "twelve," and insert instead the word "six," after the words resident in this state, for the space of ——, and after the words "duties of the station," to insert the words "or have been instituted." Which was agreed to.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Upfold, the committee proceeded to the consideration of the resolution attached to the report of the majority of the committee upon the claims of clergymen to seats, in reference to the case of the Rev. B. J. Douglass, and the reports of the majority and minority of the committee were again read. After discussion, the Rev. Mr. Buchanan moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject, which was lost. The Rev. Dr. Hare then moved as an amendment to strike out all after the word "Resolved," and insert as follows; "That the Rev. B. I. Douglass is entitled to a seat in this Con-

vention." The vote was taken on this question by orders, and resulted as follows:

CLERGY.

AYES.

Rev. T. G. Allen,
" Dr. Bowman,
" J. A. Childs,
" S. A. Clark,
" W. J. Clark,
" Dr. Clay,
" J. B. Clemson,
" J. H. Coit,
" W. C. Cooley,
" S. Cowell,
" J. M. Douglass,
" G. C. Drake,
" Geo. C. Fields,
" K. Goddard,
" R. D. Hall,
" A. B. Hard,
" N. S. Harris,
" Dr. Hare,
" Saml. Hazlehurst,
" W. J. Hilton,
" G. P. Hopkins,
" M. Hirst,
" M. A. D'W. Howe,
" G. Kirke,
" J. Long,
Rev. Geo. D. Miles,
" Mr. Miller,
" George Mintzer,
" Dr. Morgan,
" H. E. Montgomery,
" B. W. Morris,
" G. W. Natt,
" W. H. Norris,
" W. H. Odenheimer,
" F. Ogilby,
" T. J. Parvin,
" W. S. Perkins,
" Peter Russell,
" Geo. Sheets,
" J. H. Smith,
" T. A. Starkey,
" M. K. Talbot,
" H. Tullidge,
" P. Van Pelt,
" Dr. Vaughan,
" H. H. Weld,
" C. Wiltberger.
" T. C. Yarnall.
" Bp. Potter.—49.

NAYS.

Rev. Mr. Breck,
" " Buchanan,
" Dr. Carmichael,
" Dr. Coleman,
" Dr. Dorr,
" Dr. Ducachet,
Rev. M. C. Lightner,
" Thos. H. Quinan,
" J. Rodney,
" R. Smith,
" H. S. Spackman,
" Dr. Upfold—12.

vades the congregation. I regret not to be able to report a larger increase, but trust that a brighter prospect will soon open before the Church in this region.

Report of the Rev. J. C. Clay, Rector of the Parish of Gloria Dei Church, Southwark, Philadelphia county.

Families, about 190; baptisms, adults, 3; children, 62; total, 65; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 18; died, or removed, 13; present number, 157; marriages, 41; burials, 26; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 66; total, 170; children catechised, monthly, except the three summer months, (openly in the church;) Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 80; female, 1; teachers, 14; pupils, 180; total, schools, 2; teachers, 23; pupils, 260; collections, Convention fund, $14 94; Society for Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, 25 00; Missionary and other purposes, 227 67; total, $267 61.

Report of the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.

This parish maintains a steady and vigorous growth. The services are encouragingly attended. A well-ordered choir yet furnishes sweet and natural music. The children are brought under catechetical instruction once a month, publicly in the church, besides being assiduously taught from the Bible and Prayer Book in the Sunday School. This branch of the congregation obtains former interest and attention.

In the past year the parish, with most commendable zeal and spirit, has erected in the best style and taste an edifice adjacent to the church, and to be characterized hereafter as the Rectory. Being brought to completion, it furnishes to the Rector a most elegant and comfortable abode.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 100; children, 70; total, 170; baptisms, infants, 6; confirmed, 2; marriages, 7; communicants, added, 9; removed, 4; present number, 56; public services twice every Sunday, and on holy days, and other occasions; collections, Episcopal fund, $8 05; Convention fund, 8 05; foreign missions, 25 00; domestic missions, 27 25; missions in Chester county, 25 00; Christmas fund, 8 50; American Colonization Society, 2 00; total, $103 90.

The Rector for a year has been engaged in the office of Chaplain in Mr. Bolmar's seminary for boys. The duties have ceased. He continues to give instruction, and to have the spiritual oversight of the Bishop White Female Institute.

Report of the Rev. J. Howland Colt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, in the county of Dauphin.

Congregation, families, 43; adults, 108; children, 76; total, 227; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 12; total, 13; confirmed, 8; communicants, added, 6; died or removed, 7; present number, 61; marriages, 7; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 56; total, 160; children catechised, 12 times; Sunday schools, male, teachers 4; pupils, 31; female, 5; pupils, 43; total, teachers, 9; pupils, 74; collections, Episcopal fund, $33; Missionary and other purposes, 125; total, $158.

Report of the Rev. John Coleman, Rector of the Parish of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 205; adults, 630; children, 370; total, 1,000; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 51; total, 57; confirmed, 31; communicants, last reported, 399; died, 6; removed, 65; added, 41; present number, 369; marriages, 38; burials, 27; public services, on Sundays, 115; other days, 50; total, 165; children catechised, monthly, openly in the church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 13; pupils, 115; female, 2; teachers, 35; pupils, 276; total, schools, 3; teachers, 48; pupils, 391; Bible classes, 2; members, 35; collections, Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $50; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 25; Episcopal Female Tract Society, 25; Convention fund, 18 86; Christmas fund for disabled Clergymen, 19 10; Missionary and other purposes, (of which the Sunday schools contributed nearly 200,) 755 64; total, $893 60.

Report of the Rev. John B. Colhoun.

Since my last report, besides otherwise assisting in the public services of the church, I have preached in this diocese and elsewhere about 70 times; baptized 12 children; admitted 1 person to the Holy Communion, and officiated at 2 funerals; 11 of the above named baptisms took place in the neighbourhood

of Pottsville, where I temporarily officiated for the three months ending the 1st May, 1849, as one of the Missionaries in the employ of the Advancement Society of this diocese.

Report of the Rev. William Clotworthy, of the parish of Philipsburg, connected with Trinity Church, and Morrisdale, in Centre county and Clearfield.

Having given up the two stations of Clearfield and Curwinsville during the last year, my services are now exclusively confined to the above two places, where I preach two sermons every Sunday, one in Philipsburg and another in Morrisdale, where there are 15 families, some of these rather parts of families; 27 adults; 32 children; total, 59; baptism of infants, 9; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 5; present number, 15; whole services, 104; Bible class, 12.

There are other communicants who have not communicated since I came here, nor attended upon our services, that I have not reckoned in this number. Our Scripture class once amounted to 28, when there was the interest of novelty, and when I was more popular.

Report of the Rev. W. C. Cooley, Rector of Trinity Church, Pottsville.

The Rector of Trinity church, Pottsville, would respectfully report, that although the last conventional year has been one of unparalleled pecuniary depression in this mining region, yet through the blessing of the great Head of the Church upon his labors, he has been able to do something towards "lengthening her cords and strengthening her stakes." The plan of having free pews interspersed equally throughout the body of the church, has worked thus far so well, as to meet the most sanguine expectations of its friends. It silences all objections as to the exclusiveness of the church, and gives to the poorest religious accommodations equal to those enjoyed by the richest, and takes away the reproach so often cast upon the church of being merely the resort of wealth and fashion.

Since my last report the sum of $1400 has been subscribed by 16 individuals belonging to the congregation towards paying the debts contracted for building and furnishing the church, and $130 have been collected for indispensable improvements around the church. $111 22 have been advanced by three persons to complete the fencing of the cemetery and fit-

ting it as a place of sepulture. From all which it is evident that the ability only is wanting to have the noble edifice which has been thus far built, at once finished and freed from debt. And is it not also evident that there is here a liberality which is worthy of every encouragement, especially when it is considered that the same persons who gave their hundreds this year, had contributed their two, three, and four hundreds to the same object the year previous?

Congregation, families about 150; baptisms, adults, 5; infants and children, 88; services on Sundays and all holy days; Sunday school teachers, 28; children, 200; confirmations, 35; contributions to church purposes, $1700; to Bishop's fund, $7 12; Advancement society, $15; aged and infirm clergymen, $12 17; Convention fund, $5 00; missionary and other purposes, $175.

Report of the Rev. Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county.

Congregation, families, 58; adults, 144; children, 106; total, 250; baptisms, infants, 5; confirmed, 9; communicants added, 12; removed, 4; present number, 70; marriages, 1: burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 87; other days, 55; total, 142; Sunday schools, 1; male teachers, 6; female teachers, 8; male scholars, 39; female scholars, 49; total teachers and scholars, 102; Bible class, 1; collections, Convention fund, $7 25; general missions, 65 75; benevolent purposes, 157 16; total, $230 16.

Report of the Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ church, Allegheny, Allegheny Co.

The number of the congregation is uncertain. There are many persons and families attending our services, who have not taken sittings or pews in the church, and whose names have not been entered in our register. There have been 21 infants baptized; 9 persons confirmed; 4 marriages, and 13 burials; 12 have been added to the communion, and 5 have either died or removed. The present number of communicants is 89; public services, on Sundays, 100; on other days, 16; total, 116; in the Sunday school there are 7 male, and 7 female teachers; 34 male, and 40 female pupils; total, teachers, 14; pupils, 74.

During the past year, a lot of ground, about one mile and a half from the city, was presented to the congregation for a cemetery. To fence and improve it, and to pay the interest on our

church debt, have absorbed all the collections we thought it expedient to take up.

Report of the Rev. Robert Davis.

Since our last Convention I have performed divine service once, and preached once. This was more than was justified by the state of my health.

Report of the Rev. Thomas J. Davis.

Since the last Convention, I have performed divine service one hundred and three times, and preached eighty-one sermons. Solemnized three marriages, and performed the funeral service six times.

Report of the Rev. Wm. N. Diehl, Rector of St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, 36; adults, 125; children 50; total, 175; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 10; total, 14; confirmed, 8; communicants added, 7; died or removed, 2; present number, 50; Marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 51; other days, 7; total, 58; children catechised monthly in the church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 6; pupils, 60; collections, for Calvary church, $20; society for the advancement of Christianity, 12 50; missionary and other purposes, 55; total, $87 50.

Public services in the Parish of St. Luke's, Germantown, 40; baptism, 1 infant; burials, 3.

Report of the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 220; baptisms, adults, 5; infants, 37; total, 42; confirmed, 14; communicants, added, 37; died or removed, 29; present number, 425; marriages, 11; burials, 33; children catechised, 300, on the last Sunday of each month; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 12; pupils, 70; female, 2; teachers, 28; pupils, 170; total, schools, 3; teachers, 40; pupils, 240; Bible classes, 2; members, 21; collections, Episcopal fund, $150; Convention fund, 25 07; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 275 81; Missionary and other purposes, 2863 42; total, $3314 30.

Report of the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Rector of Zion Church, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, 4; funerals, 4; communicants, 9; public services, on Sundays and other times, 60.

The Rector begs leave to state, that during the summer and autumn of the year 1848, he was travelling in Europe. He preached the word whenever requested, during his absence, and was kindly received by his brethren of the Church of England. Since his return, he has, with the divine blessing, collected a congregation, and established a church in Philadelphia county, to which the title has been given of Zion Church. His Sunday school numbers 3 teachers, and could employ more. There are 30 children, and the number would be increased were there more teachers. The afternoon congregation consists of 70, with the prospect of augmentation. They worship temporarily in a new church edifice, rented of the Baptists. So that the Rector has every reason to bless and "thank God and take courage."

Report of the Rev. J. G. Downing, Rector of St. James' Church, Muncy, Lycoming co.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 163; children, 80; baptisms, infants, 6; communicants, 80; died, 1; marriages, 1; burials, 1; services twice on Sundays; public prayers generally on Fridays; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 60; collections, Adv. Soc. $15 00; Convocation fund, 6 43; parish and other purposes, 28 72½; total, $50 15½. This report extends only to the end of February.

Schuylkill Haven.

I received a unanimous invitation from the vestry of St. James' Church, of this place, and entered upon my duties the first Sunday in March. Public services on Sundays twice; prayers and lecture every Wednesday evening; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, 24; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 26.

Report of the Rev. George C. Drake, Rector and Missionary of St. James' Church, in the borough of Schuylkill Haven, in the county of Schuylkill.

Baptisms, adult, 1; children, 11; total, 12; confirmed, 4; marriages, 5; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 80; other days, 9; total, 89; collections, Sunday school, $6 57; Christmas fund, 7 37½; Missionary, 13 52; total, $27 46½.

St. James', Muncy, Lycoming.

Congregation, families, 60; adults, 130; children, 65; total, 195; baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, died, 1; present number, 89; marriages, 1; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 13; other days, 6; total, 19; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 3; pupils, 23; female teachers, 9; pupils, 33; total, teachers, 12; pupils, 56; collections, Convention fund, $12 48. Three services have been held at Hicksville, and two at Hughesville.

Report of the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 3; children, 30; total, 33; marriages, 15; funerals, 30; confirmed, (at a special confirmation,) 7; services, on Sundays, 102; on other days, 71; total, 173 services; Holy Communion, 17 times; sermons delivered in the year in this church, 106; the children of the parish generally, and the pupils in the schools connected with this church, were openly catechised every Sunday during Lent, after the evening services. The communicants number about 300; about 30 of whom have been added since the last Convention; collections, for the Advancement Society, $738 33; for the Christmas fund, 33 82; for the Convention fund, 69 17; towards the support of the Episcopate, 159 88; for the Sunday school of parish, 350; a special collection for the poor on Thanksgiving Day, 123 09; for the Mission at Fairmount, (special) 100; other contributions, so far as known, 1000; total, 2574 29. The annual collection for the general missions of the Church is to be made on Whitsunday coming. Since his ordination in December last, the Rev. Wm. B. Musgrave has been officiating in this church as the *Deacon* of the same, under the appointment of the Rector, sanctioned by the Bishop.

The late Edward Shippen Burd, Esq., (deceased in September last,) an esteemed member, and one of the founders of this parish, has, by his last will and testament, bequeathed to me in trust for the benefit of St. Stephen's Church, a large property. Its amount cannot yet be ascertained, as it consists of a reversionary right to one undivided tenth part of a large residuary portion of his princely fortune. It is known, however, that it will be a very handsome fund, quite ample to make the parish independent, and to place in its possession the means of doing

extensive good. I record this unwonted instance of liberality, in grateful appreciation of the pious purposes of my deceased friend and parishioner; and to incite others, in the disposal of their worldly wealth, to imitate the noble example of this benevolent and generous hearted man. It is proper also, that I should state that, in addition to the legacy bequeathed to the parish, the donor has appropriated the sum of ten thousand dollars for the erection of *a monument* in this church to the memory of three of his children, deceased within a few years. It is purposed to construct this monument in a small chapel, to be built in the adjoining cemetery on the north side of the church, and to communicate with it. The monument will be designed and executed by one of the most celebrated sculptors of the day; and will be finished in about three years.

Finally, the Rector reports the condition of his parish to be in a most encouraging state of prosperity, temporal and spiritual.

Report of the Rev. Charles M. Dupuy.

For the last twelve months I have, so far as my health would permit, been frequent in the discharge of the public duties of the ministry.

I have supplied many destitute churches, and assisted my brethren in the city and neighbourhood.

At the request of the rector of Emanuel church, I have engaged to officiate in his place a part of the time during his absence from this country.

Report of the Rev. Rees C. Evans.

Baptisms, 3; funerals, 6; presented for confirmation, 1; preached 60 times; public services, 157; consecrated and administered the holy communion, twice in church, and 6 times to the sick and dying; assisted 44 times; catechised twice; visits to the sick and distressed, 294.

Report of the Rev. H. Dyer, of St. Paul's Parish, Laceyville.

Baptisms, children, 18; burials, 7; marriages, 2.

I resigned my charge of the parish, Feb. 1, 1849.

Report of the Rev. Joseph I. Elsegood, Rector of Christ Church, Danville.

Baptisms, infants, 6; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 4; present number, 56; burials, 4; public services, on

Sundays, 46; other days, 20; total, 66; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 6; female teachers, 7; scholars, 80; children, catechised weekly in the sabbath school; collections, Episcopal fund, $5 00; Convention fund, 5 00; Bishop White Prayer Book society, 5 00; Christmas fund, 3 00; domestic missions, 10 00; church in Dubuque, 9 25; missionary and other purposes, 75 50; total, 102 75.

At St. James' church, Derry, thirteen miles distant from Danville, I have held service regularly once in two weeks, and occasionally oftener.

I have been very much encouraged in my labors in the above parishes; the interest taken in the general welfare, and spiritual prosperity of the church, is truly gratifying, and I am not without good hope that ere long the desired fruit shall appear.

Report of the Rev. Geo. A. Durborow, Rector of the Church of the Redemption, at Fairmount, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 90; baptisms, adults, 9; infants, 59; total, 68; confirmed, 13; communicants, added, 25; died or removed, 10; present number, 61; marriages, 14; burials, 33; public services, on Sundays, 138; children catechised, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 80; female, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 110; total, schools, 2; teachers, 20; pupils, 190; collections, missionary and other purposes, $219 69.

This mission still continues useful, and during the past year has enjoyed many marks of God's approval. Situated, as this church is, in the midst of a densely populated neighbourhood, and among factory people, many of whom have been brought up in the good old Church of England, it has been, and, we trust, will ever continue, successful in rescuing souls from the dominion of Satan, and in causing redeemed sinners to enjoy their blood bought privileges and blessings. And we pray that He, who has put it into our hearts, to begin this good work, will give us grace, and strength, and means, to continue our exertions for the welfare of souls, and to the praise of his holy name.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Flint, Rector of St. Paul's Church, in Erie, Erie county.

Congregation, families, 90; adults, 195; children, 200; total, 495; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 13; total, 16; communicants,

added, 7; died or removed, 6; present number, 82; marriages, 2; burials, 14; public services, on Sundays, 98; other days, 21; total, 119; children catechised monthly; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 13; pupils, 50; Bible classes, during the summer season; collections, Convention fund, $6 00; missionary and other purposes, 75 70; to complete the payment of the debt of the church, $700. Total, 781 70.

The church is now free from debt.

Report of the Rev. Geo. G. Field, Rector of Immanuel Church, in Holmesburg, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 41; adults, 105; children, 42; total, 147; baptisms, adults, 2; confirmed, 3; communicants, present number, 53; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 32; other days, 31; total, 63; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, 88; Bible class, 1; members, 3; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 88; Convention fund, 2 87; missionary purposes, 80 00; Christmas fund, 12 47; Calvary church, 11 00; other purposes, 634 10; total, 743 32.

The enumeration of public services commences with the 2d of January of this year, when the undersigned became rector of the parish.

Since the last report a new bell has been placed in the tower, weighing nearly 800lbs.; and a building for the use of the Sunday school has been commenced to cost between five and six hundred dollars.

Report of the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Philad.

Congregation, families holding pews by ownership or rental, 115; other families in attendance, and under pastoral supervision and charge, about 50; total, 165; averaging five to a family would give as a grand total about 800 attendants, grown persons and children; our church, seating one thousand, is in good weather generally well filled. This estimate does not include the children of the Sunday school, except so far as they may be children of parents owning pews; baptisms, adults, 7; infants, 37; total, 44; confirmed—there were in all 21 candidates, but death, sickness, and absence unavoidable in its character, reduced the actual number to 8 females and 6 males;

total, 14; communicants, added, 69; died or removed, 7; present number, 149; marriages, 4; burials, 26; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 99; total, 203; children catechised monthly; Sunday schools, 231 males; 200 females; 22 male teachers; 18 female teachers; total, 431 scholars—40 teachers; collections, Episcopal fund, $50; Convention fund, 25; Christmas fund, 36; missionary and other purposes, 1303 50; total, 1414 50.

During the year, there has also been an interest excited in favor of the Bible Society as represented in our Pennsylvania Institution, and of the American Sunday School Union.

Owing to the great number of poor residing to the north of our parish, in the district of Spring Garden, the ladies of the congregation were called upon to form during the last and previous winter a Sewing or Dorcas Society, to supply the destitute with clothes. The number of garments made were of shoes given away mostly to children were

The congregation of the Church of the Atonement continues to increase in number and, we trust, in spirituality: not unto us, but unto God be all the praise rendered.

The receipts of the church meet all its expenses, both incidental and regular. The vestry being enabled to increase the Rector's salary, during the past year, $500.

Report of the Rev. J. M. Goshorn, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Laceyville.

In compliance with your request, I have officiated in St. Paul's, Laceyville, every Sunday since my ordination, and have subsequently been elected Rector of the parish, of which you have been duly notified. I have also officiated occasionally in Trinity church, in the absence of the Rector.

Having so recently taken charge of St. Paul's, I have but few details to report, and would say, in general, that the prospects of the parish are quite encouraging, and the congregation is manifestly increasing.

Congregation, families, about 20; marriages, 1; public services, on Sundays, 16 times.

Report of the Rev. R. D. Hall.

Marriages, 4; funerals, 3 adults; baptisms, 1, an infant; and according to my physical ability I have preached several times, and assisted my Clerical brethren in the administration of the Holy Communion.

Report of the Rev. G. Emlen Hare, Rector of the Parish of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, county of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 50; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 7; total, 10; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 9; died or removed, 9; present number, 50; marriages, 1; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 18; total, 122; children catechised, 20; times, 7; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 20; schools, 4; teachers, 10; infant school, 20; coloured school, 6; Bible class, 1; members, 12; total, 78; collections, Episcopal fund, $10; Convention fund, 10; total, $20.

Report of the Rev. S. Hazlehurst, Rector of Church of the Messiah, district of Richmond, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 56; adults, 120; baptisms, 42; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 9; died, 1; removed, 4; present number, 20; marriages, 1; burials, 9; public services, 104; other days, 14; total, 118; children, catechised, 6 times; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 125. Our Sunday school might be much increased but for the want of teachers.

Collections. The entire energies of the congregation for the past year have been devoted to the support of the parish; and but for the deplorable depression in the coal trade, on which near two-thirds of our people are dependent, their efforts would, in a great measure, have been successful. Our congregation, however, is on the increase, and we feel encouraged by the tokens God has given us of his favour.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Hilton, Rector of the Parish of St. Paul's Church, in Kittanning, in the county of Armstrong.

Baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 8; total, 11; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, 12; died or removed, 2; present number, 63; marriages, 5; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays,

46; other days, 8; total, 54; children catechised, 15; times, 6; Bible classes, 1; members, 18; collections, Convention fund, $5; Society Advancement of Christianity, 3 50; Missionary and other purposes, 45; total, $53 50.

In filling up the above form, I am very sorry that the spaces for Sunday schools are left blank. But this reproach will soon be taken away—our Sunday school room is now nearly finished, and will be ready by the time I return from Convention. In other respects this congregation is still prosperous. Our services are well attended, and many, hitherto careless, begin evidently to "take heed how they hear" the things which belong to their peace.

Our weekly lecture, on Thursday evenings, is still continued, and it is hoped not without good results to the spiritual edification of the congregation.

Trinity Church, Freeport.

Baptisms, infants, 3; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 3; present number, 55; burials, 1; public services, on Sundays, 44; other days, 7; total, 51; children catechised, 14; times, 6; Sunday schools, 1; male and female teachers, 8; pupils, 56; Bible class, 1; members, 25; collections, Convention fund, $5; Society Advancement of Christianity, 3 85; total, $8 85.

Though but few have been added to this church during the past year, there is reason to believe that the Rector's labours among them have not been in vain during that period. They labour under many disadvantages—they have services but every other Sunday, and the Rector not being resident among them, they have no services during the week.

Report of the Rev. M. Hirst, Rector of the parish of St. Paul's Church, in the borough of Minersville, Schuylkill county.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 100; children, 70; total, 170; baptisms, infants, 25; total, 25; confirmed, 13; communicants, 15; marriages, 6; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 70; other days, 20; total, 90; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 20; collections, Convention fund, $2 50; other purposes, 43 27; total, $45 77.

Report of Rev. B. S. Huntington, Principal of Aston Ridge Seminary.

I have officiated at 5 funerals; 1 marriage; in the administration of the Holy Communion, 4 times; and in preaching and lecturing, at Aston Ridge Seminary about 150 times, and at other places 13 times.

The religious instruction at the Seminary, which consists principally of courses of lectures at family worship, has been attended, by the Divine blessing, with the hopeful conversion of the greater number of the pupils, and leads me to thank God and take courage in my efforts for the cause of Christian education.

Report of the Rev. N. Sayre Harris, Rector of the parish of the Church of the Nativity, in the district of Spring Garden, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, 283; baptisms, infants, 45; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 25; died or removed, 11; present number, 132; marriages, 13; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 39; total, 135; children catechised, every Sunday; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 105; female, 1; teachers, 16; pupils, 200; infant, 1; teachers, 2; pupils; 200; total, 3 schools; 28 teachers; 480 pupils; Bible classes, 2; members, 25; collections, none taken up for reasons heretofore assigned.

The financial condition of the church has improved during the past year. The income is not yet equal to the expenditure. A large reduction has been made in the debt contracted in the erection of the church edifice.

Report of the Rev. George P. Hopkins, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown.

The Rector of St. Paul's church, Doylestown, in presenting his report, records with unfeigned thankfulness to Almighty God the success which has attended his labours during the preceding year.

About the time of the sitting of the last Convention, there was quite a large debt on our church, which it gives me great pleasure to say is now in a fair way of liquidation. This obstacle once removed, it is our earnest wish to have the church conse-
ated in the course of the following summer or autumn. But
le the contributions of our friends towards its erection have
n such as were calculated to inspire us with the most san-

guine expectations, as regards the financial affairs of the parish, the congregation has unfortunately suffered of late by removals. Several of our most valuable families have left the place. We trust, however, that their places will soon be filled by others. Our Sunday school continues to be in a reasonable state of prosperity. During the autumn and winter I have had charge of a female Bible class, which will soon be resumed. The present number of communicants, although quite small, shows progress, and for which we cannot be too thankful to God. I have on my list the names of six persons, whereas a year ago there were but three.

Regular services have been held in the parish twice on Sundays, and on several of the feasts and fasts throughout the ecclesiastical year.

With a prudent use of means, and above all, by the blessing of God, we have nothing to fear, but every thing to hope, in view of the building up of this church. In the accomplishment of this important object, time will be required. In the "mean season," our duty is to work, to wait, and to pray.

Report of the Rev. M. A. DeWolfe Howe, Rector of the parish of St. Luke's Church, in the city of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 225; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 20; total, 21; confirmed, 25; communicants, added, 44; died or removed, 19; present number, 335; Marriages, 10; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 89; other days, 70; total, 159; children catechised, times 7; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 15; pupils, 164; female, 2; teachers, 25; pupils, 215; total, schools, 4; teachers, 40; pupils, 379; Bible classes, 6; members, 25 males, 54 females; collections, Episcopal fund, $85 71; Convention fund, 50; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 130 26; missionary and other purposes foreign to the parish, 5,620 52, of which 4,400 were for church building, and 700 for missions; for the poor of the parish, and the Sunday schools, 545 75; special contribution for repairs on the church, 1,000; special contribution for services of an assistant minister, 250; total, $7682 24.

Besides the amount above designated as given by this congregation for church building, it is my duty and my pleasure to

record that a female communicant of St. Luke's has, during the past year, built at her sole cost a stone church in Lancaster county, at an expense of $2,500, which will soon be offered to the Bishop for consecration.

I have the satisfaction to report that, within the last month, arrangements have been completed for the payment of the entire debt of this noble and vigorous parish, amounting to $17,500, more or less. Thus, within a period of five years, this corporation will have paid a debt of about $30,000. To God's blessing upon their constant liberality to others, I attribute mainly both the ability and the grace to have done thus much for their own. May the wealth of the world to come be given to them abundantly, and the sanctuary which they have thus redeemed be to them a tabernacle of peace, and spiritual refreshment and progression, until, past the wilderness of this world, they attain a better country, even a heavenly, and worship in that temple of which God and the Lamb are the perpetual light.

Report of the Rev. H. T. Hiester, Rector of the parish of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

This report embraces the state of the church from the time of the meeting of the last Convention until Easter, 1849, when the resignation of the Rector on account of impaired health took place.

Families, 24; communicants, added, 2; removed, 1; total, 36; baptisms, infants, 6; confirmed, 2; Marriages, 2; burials, 6; public services on Sundays, 90; other days, 40; Sunday school, 1; teachers, male, 7; female, 10; scholars, male, 55; female, 34; total, 89; collections, foreign missions, $20 00; domestic, 10 00; Christmas fund, 3 07; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, 5 00; Episcopal fund, 3 00; in Sunday school, for missions, 17 00; other purposes, 33 43; total, 91 50.

Report of the Rev. Edward C. Jones.

I would respectfully report that during the past ecclesiastical year I have been engaged in performing ministerial duty, and also occupied in the task of secular instruction. I have baptized 5 infants, and married three couple, and also administered the communion on two occasions. Since January last I have been

labouring, and with I trust some success, as missionary at the Blockley Almshouse. My services are as follows: I preach twice on Sunday, hold a service on Thursday afternoon, and devote three additional afternoons each week to the visitation of the sick in their respective wards. A large number of tracts have been recently distributed, and, so far as I can ascertain, perused with interest. May the Great Head of the Church, whose engrossing occupation it once was to preach the gospel to the poor, further with his blessing the humble efforts of the missionary, and induce the benevolent to sustain, by their contributions and prayers, an enterprise which instinctively commends itself to their warmest sympathies!

Report of the Rev. N. M. Jones, Rector of the Church of St. Bartholomew, West Kensington, Philadelphia county.

A parish with the above title, was organized in December last, when the subscriber was called to the rectorship. Since that time he has been engaged in obtaining funds for the erection of the church, and a large amount has been subscribed. A few gentlemen in this city have recently tendered as a gift, a valuable lot upon Sixth street, at the corner of Dauphin street, 144 feet in front, by 136 feet in depth, for the erection of the church, and the establishment of parochial schools, male and female.

Religious services have been commenced in the neighbourhood. As yet, the congregation is fluctuating: and so, it is supposed, will remain, until the rector can take up his residence among them. A Sunday school was commenced about three weeks since, and now numbers about 30 pupils. So far, the rector has everything to encourage him, and trusts, with the divine aid, the corner stone of the church will be laid in the next spring.

The Rev. Joseph Jacquett.

Reports that he has been engaged during the past ecclesiastical year, associated with the Rev. Mr. Lœser, minister of a Jewish synagogue in this city, in editing an American edition of the Hebrew Bible, and that it might be as accurate as possible, applying throughout to various sources of Hebrew criticism.

Report of the Rev. B. B. Killikelly, Missionary and Rector of the parish of St. Michael, Wayne township, Adams county.

Families, 35; adults, 98; children, 101; communicants, 75; new, 18; baptisms, 8 children; confirmed, 8; marriages, 3; burials, 2; divine service celebrated, 25 times; Lord's supper celebrated, 4 times.

On presenting the first report of a parish, after renewal of ministerial connection with this diocese, I may be permitted to state that at the earnest and reiterated call of the missionary Bishop of the north west, I felt induced to leave this diocese, and to enter the general Domestic Missionary field, in the autumn of 1839. After nearly nine years' service, the health of myself and family had so entirely failed, that it became imperatively necessary for us to remove to a more bracing climate. I therefore returned with my family to Kittanning, Pa., last summer. Soon after arrival there, I learned that the parish of St. Michael was sadly in want of pastoral oversight, and in a very declining state. Believing that the call of the shepherd who first gathered the flock to this "church in the wilderness," would be again heeded, I visited the parish, and held service. My expectations were fully realized. The congregation came together from every part of the settlement to greet their old pastor with those kindly words of welcome which usually mark the intercourse between the pastor and his flock, in rural districts. All united in urging me to again take charge of the parish, the vestry presenting the accustomed invitation. It was perfectly obvious that the congregation must be at once supplied with ministerial services, and that even with the full amount of stipend from the Advancement Society, not more than $250 per annum could be raised. As regarded myself, my health was very feeble, and the church distant thirteen miles from my place of abode. Yet it appeared to me to be duty to do what I could for the little flock, first committed to my care. Under advisement from the Bishop, I concluded to take charge of it, engaging only for service on every other Sunday, and to date from the first in August. It has pleased a kind Providence so far to restore my health, as to enable me to fill all my appointments with the exception of two, notwithstanding the severe winter and trying spring we have had.

The congregation has, I am happy to say, much increased, and the attendance on Sundays is about as large as can be rea-

sonably expected. At the twenty-five services reported, the Bishop preached once, the Rev. T. Lawson twice, and I twenty-two times. I have officiated elsewhere eight times. The Lord's Supper has been administered four times, and eighteen new members have been received, including the eight persons confirmed by the Bishop at his last visitation. It is worthy of remark, that of the ninety-eight persons forming the adult portion of the congregation, seventy-five are communicants.

Acting also on the advice of the Bishop, I have re-opened my Female Seminary in the immediate vicinity of Kittanning, and hope that it will, in process of time, become a western diocesan school. On the whole, the aspect of affairs is encouraging in my portion of the field, demanding renewed diligence in the work to which I have been called, as the only way of evincing devout gratitude to the great Head of the Church.

Report of the Rev. John J. Kerr.

Since resigning the rectorship of the Church of the Advent, N. L., he has baptized four children, married one couple, and preached at different places about five times, besides officiating at three funerals. Though he does not yet feel justified in assuming the duties of a parish, he hopes the day may not be far distant, when he shall be permitted to engage himself exclusively with the duties of the ministry.

Report of the Rev. George Kirke, Rector of St. John's church, New London, and St. James' Church, West Marlborough, and officiating as Missionary in various parts of Chester county.

ST. JOHN'S, NEW LONDON.

Baptisms, children 8, and 1 adult; total, 9; 1 communicant added, present number, 25; 1 marriage; burials, 5; public services, with sermons on the Lord's day, 26; other days, 19; total, 45; children catechised, 6 times; 1 Sunday school, 5 teachers, 20 pupils; 1 Bible class; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 18; Convention fund, 1 75; Domestic and Foreign Missionary society, 2 33; Domestic Missions, 3 36; parish library, 3 00; total, 12 62.

The prospects of this church are improving.

St. James', West Marlborough.

Baptisms, children, 3; communicants, 2; 1 burial; services with sermons on the Lord's day, 25; other days, 6; total, 31; collection for parochial purposes, $1 53. This church has, from time to time experienced serious losses, by removals from the neighbourhood. A charter for it will be laid before the present Convention.

The rector of the above named churches, has also preached 26 times, on the Lord's day, at the prison, West Chester; and 25 times at the Chester county poor house, visiting 22 prisoners in their cells before dismission, or under exercises, and making 73 visits to the sick and afflicted, confined to their rooms; on each occasion reading the Holy Scriptures, with remarks, prayer, and psalmody. He has preached on the Lord's day, 22 times at a private house above Marshalton; 4 times at another in Doe Run valley; twice at other places, and has also officiated on other days, chiefly at different churches and school houses, 23 times; besides making numerous visits to the scattered, destitute, and afflicted, and by request, burying a child in a graveyard not belonging to the church.

Report of the Parish of St. Paul's church, Troy, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 20; adults, 40; children, 30; total, 70; communicants, present number, 12; marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 45; other days, 2; total, 47; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 1; pupils, 25; collections, Convention fund, $2.

Report of the Parish of Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, 35; adults, 150; children, 50; total, 200; baptisms, adult, 1; children, 11; total, 12; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 6; died or removed, 5; present number, 42; marriages, 7; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 58; other days, 25; total, 83; children catechised, 30, monthly in the church; Sunday school, 1; male teachers, 8; female teachers, 8; pupils, 114; total, teachers, 16; pupils, 114; collections, Convention fund, $2; Soc. Adv. Christianity, 7; Christmas fund, 5; Bp. White Chapel, 11; for missionary and other purposes, 357 53; total, $382 53.

St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin.

Congregation, families, 52; adults, 225; children, 70; total, 295; baptisms, infants, 5; confirmed, 7; communicants, died or removed, 4; added, 5; present number, 61; marriages, 4; burials, 10; public services, 56; children catechised, 40, times, frequently; Sunday schools, 2; male teachers, 6; female teachers, 8; scholars, 80; collections, Bp. White Chapel, $7 60; Convention fund, 2 00; Christmas fund, 2 00; missionary and other purposes, 30 00; total, $41 60.

Service is also held semi-monthly at Birdsboro', distant from Morlattin about five miles. At this thriving village, in which are located the extensive iron works of the Messrs. Brooke, the church is favorably regarded, and her services well attended.

Report of the Rev. E. N. Lightner, Rector of Christ (Swede) Church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, 33; adults and children, 125; baptisms, infants, 7; communicants, added, 7; removed, 2; present number, 48; marriages, 2; burials, 13; public services, every Sunday morning, and on the principal festivals and fasts of the church; Sunday school, during the summer months, teachers, 9; scholars, 50; collections, Sunday school, $4 43; St. James' church, Derry, Columbia county, 13 19; domestic missions, 4 25; Christmas fund, 3 81; African Epis. church, Detroit, 4 00; Prayer Book and Tract Society, 5 43; other purposes, 11 31.

Report of Rev. M. C. Lightner, Rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk.

Baptisms, adults, 10; infants, 28; total, 38; confirmed, 19; communicants, added, 31; died or removed, 4; present number, about 80; marriages, 6; burials, 18; public services, on Sundays, 46; other days, 23; total, 69; children catechised monthly in the church; Sunday school, teachers, 30; scholars, about 220; special collections, disabled clergymen, $8 50; Sunday school, 5 00; Calvary church, Philadelphia, 7 00; Convention fund, 2 00; poor of the Parish, 26 62½; total, 49 12½. By the united efforts of the ladies of the congregation and the vestry, the remaining debt of the church, amounting to about 800 dollars, has been paid.

The above report commences with the 10th of December last, when I assumed the rectorship of this parish. I resigned the charge of Christ Church, Danville, on the previous Sunday, and have been succeeded there by the Rev. Mr. Elsegood. The following is the report of Christ Church, Danville, from 1st May, 1848, to the date of my resignation. Baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 23; total, 24; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 17; whole number, 63; marriages, 2; funerals, 8; public services, on Sundays, 68; other days, 21; total, 89; St. James' church, Derry, was consecrated by the Bishop of the diocese, in October last.

Report of the Parishes of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, and St. Mark's Church, New Milford.

St. Paul's Church, Montrose.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 70; children, 20; total, 90; baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, added, 3; removed, 1; present number, 25; marriages, 2; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 60; other days, 90; total, 150; children catechised, 12, times 8; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 14; Bible class, 1; members, 8; collections, Convention fund, $4 87½.

St. Mark's Church, New Milford.

Congregation, families, 28; adults, 80; children, 30; total, 110; communicants, added, 2; present number, about 25; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 10; total, 11; confirmed, 3; marriage, 1; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 12; total, 64; children catechised, 18; times, 12; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 18; collections, Convention fund, $3 51.

In addition to the foregoing, I have officiated at the Great Bend, times, 10—other places, times, 28, administered the holy communion to a sick person, in Honesdale; attended 1 funeral in Springville; married one couple; and attended one funeral in Pike, Bradford county.

By God's gracious blessing, our prospects are more encouraging now, than they were a year ago. God has done much for us; for his mercy we would be thankful; take courage, and double our diligence.

Report of Rev. Thos. B. Lawson, Deacon.

From the 26th of October to the 20th of March, I officiated in St. Peter's church, Uniontown, and in Grace church, Manalen, Fayette county. During this period I preached 45 times. The services were well attended. About 240 dollars paid on the church debt, and the prospects of the parish brightening.

LEWISTOWN.

I will not be at the Convention. Mr. Hiester will of course report as to the condition of the church, in this place. I have written to Bishop Otey, requesting him to send you my letters of dismission from his diocese. I hope that you will soon get them. As I will not have a seat at the next Convention, I here send my report, for the time I was at Uniontown.

I think, through the grace of God, that I will be able to do some good here—all bids fair at present.

Report of the Rev. Samuel T. Lord.

During the past year I have officiated in several places in this section of country, reading prayers and preaching, on Sundays, 77 times, and on week days, 15 times; baptized one infant, married 3 couple, and buried 3 persons—two of them children; besides reading prayers, a few times on other occasions, and aiding Dr. Carmichael in the administration of the holy communion several times. These services have been given chiefly to Woodcock, some ten miles north of this, where was once an organized parish, and where I have administered the Lord's supper, 3 times, to some 8 or 10 persons—Vernon, Richmond and Conneautville. The last named place is a thriving village, some 20 miles from here—where there seems to be a very good opening for our services. I am not able to give much account of the people in any of these places, as, from my very limited income, I have been under the necessity of being much occupied about home, and consequently could not visit round and become generally acquainted with the people. Could I be much among the people, I think this a good missionary field.

Report of the Rev. Dwight E. Lyman, Missionary in Columbia and Marietta.

The undersigned respectfully reports, that since the 20th of October last, he has been labouring as missionary in Columbia

and Marietta. He found, on entering upon his duties in both these places, but few individuals who were attached to our Church, yet these few were exceedingly anxious for those services of which they had long been deprived. In Columbia, an upper room, formerly used as a lyceum hall, was obtained, and about sixty dollars raised among the people to supply it with seats and fit it up decently for the purposes of worship. Here our little flock have regularly assembled, in numbers varying from 30 to 50, to join in those services which they so much loved, and which they had almost despaired of ever having established among them. In Marietta we succeeded in obtaining the use of a building called Zion Church, an edifice erected by and for the use of all denominations. Here, our congregations are becoming large and attentive. In both places we have much prejudice to contend with among the people generally, though perhaps no more than is to be looked for in places where the Church is unknown. I have endeavoured, and, I think, with a good degree of success, by conversation in private, occasionally in sermons, and by the distribution of judicious tracts, to disarm the prejudices of those who attend our services, by explaining their meaning, and showing the propriety and primitive character of our peculiar customs and usages. Through the liberality of friends both here and abroad, we have been supplied with a large and beautiful Bible and Prayer Book for the Chancel in each place, and also a goodly number of small Prayer Books for distribution among our worshippers. I have, since October last, held services once on each Sunday in both places, holding service morning and evening alternately. During Lent, I have had an evening service, with a lecture, in each place through the week. The holy communion has been twice administered in Marietta and four times in Columbia. There are at present 8 communicants in each place. I have admitted to the communion for the first time two persons in Marietta and one in Columbia; two infants have been baptized, and one person confirmed. There are also several adults in course of instruction preparatory to baptism. By the energy and zeal of a few ladies in Marietta, a Sunday school was begun in the spring of last year, and has numbered as high as 60 scholars; but owing to the indifference of many of the parents, the attend-

ance is not as regular as we could desire. The average attendance is about 40. In Columbia our school was opened in November last with 4 teachers and 11 scholars; it now numbers 22. We are expecting an increase this spring. Most of the children here, not belonging to our own families, have been previously taken up by other schools. I give to each school my personal attendance and instruction on every alternate Sunday. Through the liberality of a friend in Philadelphia, we were early supplied with 100 vols. as a beginning for our Sunday school library in Columbia, and we have lately received a handsome donation from the S. S. Union towards its increase. What is now principally needed in both places is a church edifice. In Columbia it is absolutely necessary. Our present place of worship is small and difficult of access. There is nothing to attract any who do not go for the love of the Church. We are now about starting a subscription for the purpose of erecting a small cheap church at once. We shall be able to do but little among ourselves, but look hopefully to the friends of the Church elsewhere to give us their aid. If this can be accomplished, I do not fear but that good congregations may in time be gathered in both places. But amid so much ignorance of, and prejudice against the Church, it will be the slow work of time; yet as it is the Lord's work, we hope in confidence for his presence and blessing.

Report of the Rev. Dr. Lyons.

During the past year, Dr. Lyons has officiated sixty times, and preached forty-eight times. He has also six times taken a part in administering the holy communion.

Report of the Rev. A. A. Marple, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wellsboro, Tioga county.

The Rector has been in charge of this parish since October, 1848. Services are held in the parish church twice on every Sunday, excepting the fourth Sunday of the month, when the afternoon service is at Pine creek, eight miles distant. A few services have been held in a neighbouring school house.

Sunday schools, 2. Besides the village school, there is one three miles distant, in the country, which is in quite a flourishing state.

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The communicants, last year, 65; died and removed, 2; added, 4; infant baptisms, 2; burials, 2.

Collections, $24. About $1,200 have been subscribed toward building a rectory.

Report of the Rev. E. Mendenhall, Rector of the parish of St. John's Church, Salem, Wayne county.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 40; children, 25; baptisms, children, 4; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 4; died, 1; present number, 24; marriages, 3; burials, 3; public services at Salem, 48; at Harrison and Providence, 4; Hollister's Mills, 2; Stirling, 22; on other occasions, 4.

Children catechised on the first Sunday in the month: Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 6; scholars, 25; Bible class, 1.

Our collections have been applied to the relief of the poor and to the wants of the parish. The prospects of extending the interests and influence of the Church, in this region, are more encouraging than at any former time. A lot of ground in a suitable and beautiful location in Stirling is secured, and efforts are now being made to collect means to erect a small cheap edifice there, which will secure the field and accommodate the Episcopal families there. I believe the effort will succeed.

At Providence, (now an incorporated borough,) two gentlemen have each offered a lot of ground and a liberal amount of money toward the erection of a church edifice there. In a new settlement, a few miles east of Salem, ground is offered and materials pledged towards the building of a church edifice.

Report of the Rev. J. A. Merrick, Deacon and Assistant Minister at St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. John A. Merrick, deacon, reports that since his ordination, at the last Ember season, (March 2d, 1849,) he has assisted the Rev. W. H. Odenheimer, Priest and Rector of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, in conformity with the requirements of the Ordinal.

He has administered the holy sacrament of baptism to 2 children; assisted in the ministration of the holy communion 15 times; and otherwise in divine service 107 times; in all 124 services; visits to the poor, sick, and impotent people of the parish, 23.

In his capacity as "Head Catechist or Superintendent" of the Sunday school department of the parish, he has instructed the youth in the catechism every Sunday morning and afternoon.

Report of the Rev. George D. Miles, Rector of the parish of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne county.

Congregation, families, 78; adults, 209; children, 131; total, 340; baptisms, adult, 1; infants, 21; total, 22; confirmed, 4; communicants, added, 7; died or removed, 5; present number, 84; marriages, 4; burials, 5; public services on Sundays, 98; other days, 12; total, 110; I have also preached out of the parish at convocations, &c., making in all 130 sermons, besides a weekly extempore lecture; children catechised, the whole school is catechised once a month openly in the church; Sunday schools, general, 1; teachers, 16; pupils, 120; infant, 1; teachers, 1; pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $15; Convention fund, 8; missionary and other purposes, 318 96; total, $341 96; foreign missions, 94 26; domestic, 22 56; Education Soc. of Virginia, 15; Pennsylvania Bible Soc., 10; Fund for disabled Clergymen, 12; Seamen's Mission, Philadelphia, 13; Prot. Epis. Soc. for Evang. Knowledge, 25; for Rev. R. B. Claxton's church in Madison, Ind., 75; parish Sunday school, 20; communion offertory for the poor, 32 14.

Of this amount, 41 27 came from the Sunday school penny collections, chiefly appropriated to foreign missions.

In addition to this, the ladies of the parish have raised $300 within the year towards the erection of a parsonage.

There are different points in the valley at which service might be held with advantage, and where the services of a missionary of our Church would be well received. Pittston, nine miles above Wilkesbarre, is a growing town. It is the depot of the Washington railroad, and when that and the North Branch canal are completed, it must become a place of much importance. I have visited it and found several Episcopal families, and others there would be glad to have the services of the Church introduced. I have made partial arrangements to hold occasional services, and if a missionary could be appointed to labor here and at several other places near where villages are growing up, several churches might, in course of time, be organized.

Report of the Rev. Daniel S. Miller, Rector of St. Jude's Church, Philadelphia.

During the past year, I have been occupied in the duties detailed in my last report. The efforts in which we were engaged to procure funds for the erection of St. Jude's church having been sufficiently successful to warrant the undertaking, the corner stone was laid on the first day of July last. Since then the building has steadily progressed, and is now almost entirely completed, so that it will be ready for consecration in a very short time. Beside the duties connected therewith, I have to report as follows: preached 98 times; prayers, 109 times; communions, 16; baptisms, 6; marriages, 6; funerals, 9; together with visits to sick and other occasional duties.

Report of the Rev. John J. McElhinney, Rector of the parish of Trinity Church, in New Haven, in the county of Fayette.

Congregation, families, 23; adults, 70; children, 80; total, 150; baptisms, infants, 2; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 6; present number, 28; marriages, 2; burials, 2; public services, on Sundays, 41; other days, 4; total, 45; children catechised, in classes, weekly; Sunday school, male and female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 40; Bible class, male, 1; members, 5; collections, Missionary and all other purposes, $50 20.

I resumed the charge of this parish in September last. The above report, therefore, embraces a period of about seven months.

Report of the Rev. Geo. Mintzer, Rector of the parish of St. James' Church, Perkiomen, in the county of Montgomery.

Congregation, families, 56; adults, 200; children, 160; total, 360; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 9; total, 10; confirmed, 1; communicants, added, 1; died, 2; present number, 83; marriages, 3; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 52; other days, 3; total, 55; children catechised, 12; times, 2; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 30; female, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 10; pupils, 60; collections, Episcopal fund, $3; Convention fund, 5; Missionary and other purposes, 22; total, $30.

No material change has taken place in the condition of this parish since the last annual report.

Report of the Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Moyamensing.

Congregation, families, 150; adults, 300; children, 220; total, 520; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 65; total, 68; confirmed, 10; communicants, added, 39; died or removed, 10; present number, 114; marriages, 13; burials, 29; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 78; total, 182; children catechised, 240; times, 13; Sunday schools, male and female, 1; teachers, 18; scholars, 150; infant school, teachers, 3; pupils, 90; total, Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 21; pupils, 240; parochial school, teacher, 1; pupils, 30; Bible class, 1; pupils, 15; collections, Society for Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, $12; Calvary church, N. Liberties, 9 69; fund for disabled Clergymen, 7; for other Missionary and parish objects, 150; total, $178 69.

Report of the Rev. R. U. Morgan, D. D., Rector of the Parish of Christ Church, Reading.

Congregation, families, 71; adults, 230; children, 112; total, 342; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 16; total, 18; confirmed, 11; communicants, added, 11; died, 1; removed, 1; stricken from the list for non-attendance, 8; present number, 102; marriages, 4; burials, 5 adults; 4 children; total, 9; public services, Sundays, 101; other days, 74; total, 175; Sunday schools, 2; male teachers, 14; female teachers, 14; male pupils, 89; female pupils, 86; total, teachers, 28; pupils, 175; collections, Board of Missions, $97 68, of which 31 83 contributed by the children of the Sunday schools; Church building, 71 69; Christmas fund, 18; Convention fund, 10 50; Schuylkill Convocation, 22 72; for the Parsonage, and objects connected with the parish, about 700; total, $920 59. The children of the parish are catechised monthly, by the Rector, in the Sunday schools.

Report of the Rev. B. Wistar Morris, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, and St. Mark's, Northumberland.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

Congregation, families, 19; adults, 57; children, 54; total, 111; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 5; present number, 27; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 62; other days, 45; total, 107; Sunday schools, 1;

teachers, 10; children, 50; collections, Convention fund, $3; Soc. Adv. Christianity, 7 25; Christmas fund, 5; Bp. White Parish Library Assoc. 3 25; Calvary church, 7; Bp. White P. B. Soc. 5 30; Missionary and other purposes, 34 52; total, $69 29.

St. Mark's Church.

Baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, added, 2; present number, 5; public services, on Sundays, 29; other days, 7; total, 36; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; children, 18; the only collection yet made in this parish was for Calvary church, $3.

Since my last report, the church has been plastered, the chancel finished and decently furnished. Fifty dollars would enable us to put in pews, and have the church ready for consecration, and free from debt this summer.

In addition to the above public services, I have held service and preached 4 times in Lewisburg, Union county, and 9 times in Milton, making a total of 156 services during the year.

There is every reason to be encouraged in the attempt to revive the church in Milton. A vestry has been formed, a lot promised to build a church upon, and a subscription started for that purpose. A sufficient amount is already pledged to warrant us in commencing the work, and I believe by the close of the present season we shall have the church enclosed, and under roof at least.

Report of Rev. Henry J. Morton, D.D., Rector of the Parish of St. James' Church, Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 26; total, 27; confirmed, 5; communicants, about 300; marriages, 11; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 100; total, 204; children catechised, 80; times, during the spring of 1848-49; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; female, 3; teachers, 21; total, teachers, 26; pupils, 167; collections, $1911 90.

Report of W. B. Musgrave, Deacon.

The undersigned reports, that since his admission to Deacon's orders, in December last, he has been employed chiefly in assisting the Rector of St. Stephen's church, in this city. He has officiated in Divine service and preaching 87 times; assisted at

the Holy Communion 6 times, and baptized 2 infants, besides catechising, etc.

Report of the Rev. Geo. W. Natt, Rector of the Parish of St. John's Church, Bellefonte, Centre county.

Congregation, families, 31; adults, 66; children, 79; total, 145; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 8; total, 11; confirmed, 10; communicants, added, 7; died or removed, 3; present number, 38; marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 110; other days, 69; total, 179; children catechised, monthly, 40; Sunday schools, 1; male teachers, 2; female, 4; pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $5; Convention fund, 2 50; Adv. Society, 12; Missionary and other purposes, 67 37½; total, $86 87½.

Report of the Rev. Edmund Neville, D.D., Rector of St. Philip's Church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 240; baptisms, adults, 6; infants, 18; total, 24; confirmed, 19; communicants, added, 21; died or removed, 18; present number, 332; marriages, 8; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 98; other days, 116; total, 214; children catechised, 4 times; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 147; female, 2; teachers, 19; pupils, 157; total, schools, 4; teachers, 43; pupils, 304; Bible classes, 2; members, 67; collections, Episcopal fund, $50; Convention fund, 50; Missionary and other purposes, 3457 50; total, $3557 50.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Herbert Norris, Rector of the Parish of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 5; total, 6; communicants, added, 12; removed, 2; died, 4; present number, 48; Sunday school, teachers, 5; pupils, 24; public services, twice on Sundays, once on each holy day, and on the Ember days, daily in Passion week, and twice a week during the other weeks of Lent; collections, Episcopal fund, $10; Missionary and other purposes, 158 21; total, $168 21.

Report of the parish of St. Peter's Church, in Phœnixville, in the county of Chester.

Congregation, families, 27; adults, 66; children, 50; total, 116; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 9; total, 11; communicants, added, 3; died or removed, 3; present number, 16; marriages, 5;

burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 96; other days, 5; total, 101; children catechised, 14; times, 12; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 50; collections, Convention fund, $4 50; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 5; Missionary and other purposes, 9 18; total, $18 68.

Report of the Rev. W. H. Odenheimer, Rector of the parish of St. Peter's Church, in the city and county of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, about 250; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 51; received, 3; total, 58; confirmed, 37; marriages, 19; burials, 29; communicants, added, 26; died or removed, 15; present number, 370; public services, on Sundays, 107; other days, 698; Christ Church Hospital, 26; total, 831; children catechised openly in the church, monthly, and on the other greater holy days; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 107; female, 1; teachers, 31; pupils, 213; infant school, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 78; day school, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 114; Bible and catechetical classes, 3; teachers, 3; pupils, 73; collections, Episcopal fund, $150; Convention fund, 75; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 360 75; Christmas fund, 75; painting and repairing the church, 1873 50; Missionary and other purposes, 2612 05; total, $5,000 30. In addition to which sum, there have been distributed in parochial charities not derived from collections in the church, $1,041 71.

The Rector repeats the statement made in his last report, that the many benevolent and charitable applications which are answered by private donations, in preference to the public channel of quarterly collections and the Offertory, render it impossible for him to report more than an approximation to the effective pecuniary contributions of the parish.

On Friday, the 2d of March, 1849, being on Ember day, Mr. J. A. Merrick was admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, by the Right Rev. the Bishop of the diocese, in St. Peter's church, where he has since been assisting the Priest in Divine service, &c.

During the past year the church edifice has been thoroughly painted and repaired, and a stained glass window been placed, in the east window, over the altar. The church is open for the daily Morning and Evening Prayer; for the Litany every Wed-

nesday and Friday, at 12 o'clock, (with a lecture from Advent to Easter;) for the Holy Communion and a sermon on every saint's day at 12 o'clock, and on the greater holy days at 10½ o'clock—in addition to which, the Lord's Supper is administered every Sunday morning throughout the year.

Report of the Rev. Fred'k Ogilby, Rector of the Parish of the Church of the Ascension, in the city of Philadelphia.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 27; total, 29; confirmed, 13; communicants, added, 21; died or removed, 8; marriages, 8; burials, 14; public services, on Sundays, 112; other days, 97; total, 209; children catechised, frequently, in the Sunday school room; in church, 12 times; Sunday schools, on the roll nearly 200, with 16 teachers; also a Bible class.

Collections. During the past year, owing to the necessity of applying all our resources to parish objects, and to meet some pressing obligations, our application of collections for charitable purposes has been restricted. We have been obliged to raise several hundred dollars to pay for some necessary improvements in the church. This parish has always provided largely for church accommodation for the poor, who are unable to contribute in the least to its support. The collections in church applied to various objects, amount to $408.

Report of the Rev. Robert J. Parvin, Rector of the parish of Christ Church, Towanda, Bradford county.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 100; children, 50; total, 150; baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 8; total, 10; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 2; died or removed, 1; present number, 25; marriages, 3; burials, 10; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 13; total, 117; children catechised, 40; times, monthly; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; female, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 20; total, schools, 2; teachers, 6; pupils, 40; Bible classes, 1; members, 5; collections, Episcopal fund, $3; Convention fund, $3; Soc. for Disabled Clergymen, $5; Missionary and other purposes, $31 15; total, $42 15.

Our parish is in an improving condition. Through the exertions of the ladies of "The Sewing Circle," of our congregation, we have just procured an excellent bell; the want of it has long

been felt. The Church building is now undergoing alterations. It is to be raised, and a school room and a vestry room given below. We hope also to obtain new furniture within the chancel; and by heating the building from below, to secure six or eight pews in the space now occupied by the stoves. There is some interest taken in effecting these needed alterations; this may betoken a good state of things, at least as regards the external affairs of the Church. I have lately made an engagement to preach once a month, on Sunday afternoon, at Monroetown, a few miles distant from Towanda.

Report of the Rev. W. S. Perkins, Rector of St. James' Church, Bristol, Bucks county.

Congregation, about 350; families, 70; baptisms, infants, 7; adults, 5; confirmed, 7; deaths, 17; marriages, 2; communicants, 80; added to the communion, 9; collections for various purposes, $150; Sunday school, 1; 80 scholars; 15 teachers; services on Sundays and other occasions, 156.

Report of the Rev. William Preston, Rector of the parish of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Congregation, families, about 115; baptisms, 30; confirmed, 30; communicants, added, 30; died or removed, 21; present number, 212; marriages, 13; burials, 11; children catechised in Sunday school; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 340; collections, missionary and other benevolent purposes not within the parish, about $390.

Report of the Rev. Charles W. Quick, Rector of the parish of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, and St. Paul's Church, Chester, Delaware county.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH, MARCUS HOOK.

Congregation, 270; baptisms, adults, 3; confirmed, 10; communicants, died, 1; removed, 5; present number, 65; marriages, 1; burials, 3; public services on Sundays, 52; other days, 9; total, 61; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 9; scholars, 60; collections, Convention fund, $5; Bible Society, 7 17; other purposes, 13 35; total, $25 52.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHESTER.

Congregation, adults and children, 250; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 17; total, 18; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 9; died, 1; present number, 57; marriages, 7; burials, 15; public

services on Sundays, 52; other days, 26; total, 78; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 11; scholars, 80; collections, Convention fund, $3 50; Bible Society, 13 38; charitable purposes, 25 00; total, $41 88.

Report of the Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Southwark, Philadelphia.

Families in charge during the year, 132; communicants in charge during the year, 160; baptisms, infants, 48; adults, 2; in all, 50; confirmed, 2; communicants, added, 13; communicants removed from various causes, 47; burials, 29; public services, 158; sermons, lectures, &c., 173; marriages, 24; and the children of the congregation publicly catechised 12 times, besides a weekly Bible class connected with Sunday school instruction.

The church is still of a missionary character. Having but 277 sittings, it cannot be expected to sustain itself, unless its rental were much increased. This would exclude those for whom we have hitherto laboured. The proper remedy is a new building, with room enough for a congregation sufficient to support the gospel here at the lowest rate at which pews can be afforded.

Report of the parish of Trinity Church, Northampton county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 19; total, 21; confirmed, 8; communicants, added, 10; died or removed, 5; present number, 51; marriages, 9; burials, 7; public services, on Sundays, 94; other days, 50; total, 144; children catechised once each Lord's day; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 35; collections, Convention fund, $5 46; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 10; Christmas fund, 13 86; missionary and other purposes, $110.

Report of the Rev. Joel Rudderow, Rector of the parish of St. Paul's, Bloomsburg, Columbia county.

Congregation, families, 84; baptisms, infants, 5; communicants, died or removed, 3; present number, 86; marriages, 9; burials, 7; public services on Sundays, 66; other days, 11; children catechised at least once per month; Sunday schools, 1; scholars from 80 to 100; teachers, 18; collections, Episcopal fund, $2 85; missionary and other purposes, 19 24; total, $22 09.

The above report includes only the ministerial duties performed by myself in the parish from 20th August, 1848, including one month and one half in which I officiated for the Rev. A. A. Marple during his absence. Besides these, I have performed in the same time in other parishes on Sundays and other days of services, and between the time of my ordination, (2d July, 1848,) and the time included in the above report, in Philadelphia and elsewhere, 12 services.

Report of the Rev. John Rodney, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

This parish embraces about 100 families, and about 500 persons. Of these there are, communicants, 174; added, 28; died, removed, and transferred to new parishes, 16; burials, 7; marriages, 6; baptisms, 10; confirmed, 9; Sunday schools, 150 pupils, and 25 teachers; collections and contributions for various purposes, chiefly through the Ladies' Association, about $1000.

The Rector of this church has been connected with it for twenty-four years, during all which time he has had the satisfaction of observing the continued growth of his congregation in numbers and piety. The number of communicants has increased in that time tenfold, and the annual aggregate of funds collected is the quintuple of what they were when he entered upon his charge.

Report of the Rev. Peter Russell, Rector of St. Mark's Church Mauch, Chunk.

Families, 36; adults, 100; children, 70; communicants, added, 4; died; 2; present number, 24; services held in Mauch Chunk and parts adjacent, 103; communion administered, 5 times; baptisms, infants, 10; marriages, 7; funerals, 12; Sunday schools, 2; teachers, 7; scholars, 60; collections for Bishop White Chapel, $4; Episcopal fund, 3; total, $7.

The church edifice at Mauch Chunk was completed during the past winter, and the congregation have been worshipping in it since Christmas day.

Report of the Rev. O. Evans Shannon, Rector of the parish of the Church of the Crucifixion, in Moyamensing, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, adults, 60; children, 90; total, 150; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 11; total, 12; confirmed, 11; communi-

cants, added, 15; present number, 15; marriages, 11; burials, 8; public services, on Sundays, 68; other days, 30; total, 98; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 71; female, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 30; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 101; Bible classes, 2; members, 34; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $5.

The church, of which the above is the report, is designed for the people of colour in the district of Moyamensing, and especially for the lowest classes of that much neglected population. In looking at the results of the past year's labours, we find much reason for encouragement, and much cause for thankfulness to God for the success which He has been pleased to bestow. Owing to some changes through which the mission has been called to pass, it for a while seemed to languish, and its warmest friends began to fear that it would come to naught—but now the prospect has entirely changed, and we can no longer doubt the practicability as well as the necessity of the enterprise. In fact the vestry have been so much encouraged from what they have seen and heard, that they have already commenced soliciting subscriptions towards building a church for those among whom we are labouring. Already $2700 have been subscribed towards the object, and as soon as $1000 are subscribed, enough to pay for the church when completed, we purpose to commence building. From the success with which we have met, we hope the amount necessary will soon be subscribed, and that before another year expires we shall have a church, instead of our present inconvenient room, in which to worship God without any to molest or make afraid.

Report of the Rev. T. A. Starkey, Missionary.

From the date of my last annual report up to the 1st of January last, I continued to discharge the duties devolving upon me as Missionary in the coal region. On the first of the year, want of health obliged me to relinquish my active duties for a season. The congregation at St. Clair, at that time, was in point of numbers and attendance about as before reported. The Sunday school was flourishing, and numbered about 231 scholars. Attached to the parish were 46 families and 14 communicants—18

children were baptized, and the average number in attendance on the services was about 50.

In all the last year I have baptized 21 persons, (all infants); buried 1; married one couple, and administered the Holy Communion 4 times at St. Clair and twice at Tuscarora.

At your Confirmation, held at Pottsville on the 21st May, 1848, five of the number confirmed were from St. Clair.

Report of the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford township.

Public service regularly every Sunday morning, in the church, other times and places not enumerated; baptisms, adults, 2; children, 12; total, 14; confirmations, 3; communicants, 41; marriages, 7; burials, 13; collections, for the church at Union Town, $20; for sextonage, balance in full, 85; for Missionary Society, 21 27; for Bishop White Monument Church, 20; total, $146 27.

Report of the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, Missionary of Calvary Church, in the Northern Liberties, county of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families and parts of families, 52; adults, 85; children, 72; total, 157; baptisms, adults, 9; children, 48; total, 57; confirmed, 6; communicants, added, 15; died, 1; removed, 7; present number, 28; marriages, 5; burials, 27; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 55; total, 159; Holy Communion administered, 14 times in public and 4 times in private; total, 18 times; children catechised, 34 times; Sunday school, teachers, male, 7; female, 12; total, 19; children, male, 54; female, 88; total, 142; Bible classes, 2, taught by the Missionary, having 40 members; collections, Convention fund, $6; Diocesan Mission, 18 50; charities in this district, 76; parochial purposes, 560; total, $660 50.

In addition to the above, I have officiated during the year, out of the parish on many occasions, performing Divine service in whole or in part 81 times, and preaching 14 times.

It is well known that Calvary church is designed to be the Monument to the memory of the venerable Bishop White. In this house of prayer the seats are all to be forever free; so that the rich and the poor may meet together, and, unmindful of earthly distinctions in God's service, may worship the Lord, the Maker of them all. The erection of a monumental edifice which

shall worthily commemorate the virtues and services of Bishop White, and reflect honour upon all whose contributions have reared it, is felt to be an enterprise of grave responsibility and labour.

The Ladies' Missionary Association of Christ church, Philadelphia, have, in behalf of the church in Pennsylvania, undertaken this pious work, and have thus far collected *nine thousand dollars* toward this object.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Smithett, Rector of Grace Church, Honesdale, Wayne county.

Congregation, families, 48 in Honesdale; 14 in other places; adults, 134 in Honesdale; 38 in other places; children, 84 in Honesdale; 15 in other places; total, 218 in Honesdale; 53 in other places; baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 9; total, 10; confirmed, 3; added, 9; died or removed, 5; present number, 58; marriages, 2; burials, 16; public services, on Sundays, 93; other days, 52; 16 in Bethany; 4 others within the county; total, 169; children catechised, 31; times, 4; Sunday school, teachers, male 2, female, 6; children, 63; 21 male, 42 female; collections, Sunday School Library, $6 88; domestic missions, 10 20; foreign missions, 14 80; Adv. Soc. 5; Sunday school, 14 88; Convention fund, 5; parochial purposes, 269 52; total, $319 40.

Report of the Rev. Richard Smith.

During the past year I have officiated in several places in Mercer county, according to your directions, still residing at West Greenville, where I think the prospects are encouraging, giving alternate services, with another place on Sundays, 33 miles distant, namely, New Castle. At this place I have organized a parish, designated Trinity church, besides holding services at Mercer, Clarksville, Orangeville, and at the Clay furnace. New Castle is now become a county seat, henceforth to be called Lawrence county. This place is of much importance, and the sooner a Missionary can be appointed to give regular services the better. The present prospect is fair for the establishment of a church in that place. In the county of Mercer, including New Castle, there are about 25 communicants, having no place

of public worship in the county belonging to the church. I have not been able to form any Sunday school, and having to be so much from home to attend my appointments at the distance of 33 miles every two weeks, has prevented me from doing what I wished to have done in that way.

The necessary steps are taken to have Trinity church, New Castle, now Lawrence county, admitted into union with the Convention.

I also acknowledge with gratitude to Almighty God, that my health is now so much restored that I am enabled again to perform my duties in the church, and feel a pleasure in being able to relinquish any further application for aid—at the same time beg leave to express my sincere thanks for the benefits received.

The services I have performed are as follows: at West Greenville, 42; New Castle, 35; Mercer, 3; at other places, Sundays and week days, 24; total, 101; administered the sacrament 4 times; baptized 1 adult and 4 children; attended 1 funeral; presented for confirmation 4 persons; collections, Convention fund; $10; disabled Clergymen, 5; Parish Library, 4; Adv. Soc. 3; total, $22.

Report of the Rev. J. Brinton Smith, Rector of St. James' Church, in Kingsessing.

Congregation, families, 59; baptisms, adults, 3; infants, 11; total, 14; confirmed, 7; communicants, added, 5; died or removed, 6; stricken off, 1; present number, 37; marriages, 4; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 48; other days, 8; total, 56; children catechised, 5 times; Sunday school, teachers, male, 3; female, 7; total, 10; pupils, male, 17; female, 30; total, 47; Bible class, 20 members; collections, missionary and other purposes, $93 54.

The present Rector entered upon his duties in this parish on the second Sunday in August, 1848. The attendance upon the church has been uniformly large, and is gradually increasing. The pews are all taken, and, at the present time, there are several persons who are desirous of obtaining seats. The Sunday school has been organized, and placed upon a permanent basis; a library and suitable books of instruction being provided by the parish. A Bible class for adults has been sustained during the winter, and is now on the increase.

The Rector is greatly encouraged in his work, and although the number of those who attend the Lord's Supper is proportionally small, yet he feels assured there is a growing disposition in the minds of many to regard those things which make for their everlasting peace. There is no field in the diocese more ripe for the harvest, nor one in which a greater return may be expected for labour bestowed. May the Lord of the harvest give his blessing, and may much "wheat" be gathered into the everlasting garner.

Report of the Rev. H. S. Spackman, Rector of St. Mark's Church, in Frankford, Philadelphia county.

Baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 12; total, 13; confirmed, 5; communicants, added, 6; died or removed, 4; present number, 47; marriages, 6; burials, 15; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 14; total, 118; children catechised, times, 5; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 4; pupils, 46; female, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 50; infant school, 1; teachers, 2; pupils, 30; total, schools, 3; teachers, 15; pupils, 126; Bible classes, 1; members, 15.

Report of the Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county.

Congregation, families, 100; baptisms, 23; confirmations, 23; communicants, added, 17; died or removed, 20; present number, 123; marriages, 15; burials, 12; public services, on Sundays, 95; other days, 30; total, 125; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 30; pupils, 180; collections, Episcopal fund, $6; Convention fund, 5; missionary and other purposes, 480; total, $491.

During the past year, the cemetery of the congregation has been enlarged by the purchase of additional ground; and the church property has been greatly beautified by the erection of new fences, and other necessary alterations and improvements. A large and commodious rectory is also in progress, and is now rapidly advancing towards completion. A more particular account of this, however, will be reserved for the next annual report.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, in Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 236; adults, 721; children, 290;

total, 1011; baptisms, adults, 7; infants, 18; total, 25; confirmed, 18; communicants, added, 44; died or removed, 18; present number, 525; marriages, 14; burials, 9; public services, on Sundays, 76; other days, 21; total, 97; children catechised, 4 times; Sunday schools, male, 2; teachers, 22; pupils, 184; female, 2; teachers, 25; pupils, 268; infant schools, 2; pupils, 220; total, schools, 6; teachers, 49; pupils, 762; Bible classes, 3; members, 90; collections, Episcopal fund, $150; Convention fund, 78; missionary and other purposes, 4,500; total, $4,728.

The present rector entered upon his duties, in August, 1848, and the above report embraces only the period since that date.

Report of the Rev. S. C. Stratton.

Since my last report to the Convention, I have officiated publicly on fifty occasions, performed the service forty-three times, preached thirty-three sermons, administered the Holy Communion twice, assisted in its administration five times, baptized three children, made eleven visits to the sick, attended two funerals, instructed a Bible class on one occasion, and assisted at the examination and ordination of two candidates for priest's orders.

On several occasions, I was prevented from officiating by the inclemency of the weather, (no congregation attending,) and also by family affliction and personal indisposition.

Report of the Rev. Wm. Suddards, Rector of Grace Church, in Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 234; adults, 580; children, 600; total, 1180; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 19; total, 23; confirmed, 17; communicants, added, 24; died or removed, 30; present number, 508; marriages, 21; burials, 20; public services, on Sundays, 104; other days, 75; total, 179; children catechised, occasionally; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 18; pupils, 137; female, 1; teachers, 30; pupils, 290; total, schools, 2; teachers, 38; pupils, 427; Bible classes, 2; members, 25; collections, Episcopal fund, $150; missionary and other purposes, 3700; total, 3850.

Report of the Rev. Wm. L. Suddards.

During the past year I have been under the necessity, by reason of a bronchial affection, of resigning the parishes of St.

Peter's and St. Paul's. Since then it has been deemed advisable for me to abstain from public speaking. I have preached but twice during the last ten months, and assisted occasionally in administering the holy communion. Should it please God to restore me to health, I shall gladly return to the work from which I have been so early withdrawn.

Report of the Rev. M. R. Talbot, Chaplain in the Navy of the United States.

Since my last report in May, 1848, I have been engaged up to the 1st day of October last, in assisting some of my clerical brethren in their ministerial duties in different parts of the States of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. On the 1st day of October, 1848, by order of the honourable Secretary of the Navy, I took charge of the congregation, worshipping in the Chapel attached to the U. S. Naval Asylum, Philadelphia.

Since that day, with the exception of a short period, when prevented by sickness, I have had Divine Service in the Chapel every morning, and have preached a sermon every Sunday morning. I have also had Divine Service every Sunday in the Hospital, attached to the Asylum.

I have attended some 10 or 12 funerals, have baptized 2 infants, and admitted to the communion of the Church one person, formerly a member of the Romish communion.

Report of the Rev. H. Tullidge, Rector of the parish of St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county.

Congregation, families, 66; adults, 154; children, 84; total, 238; baptisms, infants, 7; communicants, added, 4; died or removed, 2; present number, 52; marriages, 1; burials, 5; public services, on Sundays, 66; other days, 8; total, 74; children catechised, frequently in the Sunday school; Sunday schools, 1; teachers, 8; pupils, 40; collections, Episcopal fund, $4; Convention fund, $3; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, $5 40; Missionary and other purposes, $19 02; total, $31 42.

Report of the Rev. Charles West Thomson, Rector of St. John's Church, York.

Since the termination of my connection with the parish at Rockdale, Delaware county, I have been principally engaged in rendering temporary aid to the Rev. Dr. Cutler, of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, and more recently in affording similar assist-

ance to the Rev. Richard Newton, of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

Having assumed my present charge so lately as the 1st of May, I have not been able to obtain the necessary statistics to make a regular report. I can merely remark, that the prospects of the Church seem encouraging, and, I trust, by the blessing of God, we may lift up our heads in hope.

Report of the Rev. R. S. Trapier, Seamen's Missionary, in the Port of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 16; adults, 34; children, 16; total, 66;* baptisms, adults, 1; infants, 4; total, 5; 12 awaiting the re-opening of the Chapel; confirmed, 10; 10 are awaiting the opening of the Chapel and the Bishop's visitation; communicants, present number, 16; marriages, 1; public services, on Sundays, 22, morning and afternoon, since 14 Jan. 1849.

In submitting this, my first report of my missionary operations, it is proper to state that the Chapel was opened for divine service on the 14th January, 1849, (2d Sunday after Epiphany.) Service was regularly performed on every Sunday morning and afternoon, from that time until March 18th, (4th Sunday in Lent,) inclusive. Since that period I have been forced to close the Chapel, in consequence of the dock not being ready for its reception. We hope to resume the services on the approaching Sunday. In consequence of this interruption, a most important part of my work has been suspended, but I have, by visiting, distribution of books, &c., endeavoured to continue my operations, and prepare for new efforts when I am again able to open the doors of the sanctuary. A large number of seamen's children, (15 or 20,) to whom I confine my operations, are to be baptized on the return of the Chapel from its temporary absence in Camden, N. J.; 10 or 12 are also awaiting its return to be confirmed, 3 of this number are sailors, the others the wives and widows of seamen. The success with which God hath been graciously pleased to bless my feeble efforts, has so far been sig-

* These are the families of sailors. The number of transient persons is greater than the Chapel can accommodate, and so far the proportion of seamen has been considerable. That the number of the latter will steadily increase there can be no doubt. Every effort is made, both to induce their attendance, and provide for their accommodation.

nally great, and I see all around me a "field white unto the harvest." The most encouraging reception is extended to me in all my visits, and many are the expressions of grateful thanks to God for having put it into the hearts of His pious servants to prepare this sanctuary for the outcast sailor, his needy wife and children, and desolate widow. The actual number of sailors who visit this port it is difficult to ascertain, but it amounts to several thousands in the course of the year; many more than enough to fill three or four Chapels. The number of sailors' families who reside here is remarkably great. The central position of this city, its conveniences of living, &c., induce seamen to settle here, though they go elsewhere to find employment. There is a constant stream also of seamen passing to and from the more northern sea-ports. They alight in their migratory course only perhaps for a few days, but in those few days they may find rest in the ark opened for their welcome. My brief experience warrants me in saying, that the Church in this diocese has it in her power to effect as much for these wandering and neglected sheep, as, perhaps, in any other sea-port in the United States, if we except the very largest. What she has as yet done, I will not advert to, but trust that she will hereafter faithfully and zealously meet her responsibilities.

Of the vast and incalculable importance of doing everything to convert "seamen to the faith," all must now be fully aware. Their claims upon the christian community cannot be over-estimated, while of their influence upon the heathen portion of the human family, nothing I believe but personal knowledge and observation, can convey an adequate idea. I verily believe, and do not hesitate to affirm, that until the abundance of the seas are converted unto the Lord, the forces of the Gentiles cannot be brought unto Him. For our own sakes, for their sakes, for the sake of humanity—of religion, for the sake of Him whom we serve—for the salvation of sinners, and the glory of God, seamen should no longer be neglected.

I would therefore respectfully submit this subject through you, Rt. Rev. Sir, to the Convention, and beg that such a recognition be made of our mission, as will place it before the Church, in all its importance. Its Catholic object, its Catholic nature, and its intimate and fundamental connection with the interests, and

duty of each and every Christian, entitle it to be recognised and sustained as one of the chief missionary operations of the Diocese. The mission is designed to advance the welfare, both temporal and spiritual, of the seamen of this port, and through them to extend the saving health of religion unto all nations. Missions for seamen form the connecting link, (and one which cannot be severed,) between the domestic and foreign fields, which the Church is commanded and required to cultivate. To us this work has been assigned by Providence, and we wish that the Convention should recognise the mission officially, and assign, by their sanction, this portion of the vineyard to the Association which has been formed to labour therein.

Report of the parish of Trinity Church, Pittsburg, Allegheny county.

Baptisms, adults, 2; infants, 47; total, 49; confirmed, 23; communicants, added, 22; died or removed, 20; present number, 220; marriages, 11; public services on Sundays, 101; other days, 47; total, 148; children catechised 16 times; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 60; female, 1; teachers, 15; pupils, 150; total, schools, 2; teachers, 22; pupils, 210; collections, Episcopal fund, $80; Convention fund, 20; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 200; missionary and other purposes, 1,330; total, $1,630.

On the first Sunday after Easter, April 15th, the parish church was partially destroyed by fire.

Report of the Rev. P. Van Pelt, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Since the last Convention I have performed divine service on 55 occasions; preached 19 times; baptized 8 children; administered the Lord's Supper once in private; officiated at 5 funerals; solemnized one marriage; met a Bible class of young men once a week; made many parochial visits, and attended to my duties as Secretary of the "Board of Missions," and Secretary and General Agent of the "Evangelical Knowledge Society."

Report of the Rev. John A. Vaughan, Rector of the parish of the Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia.

Congregation, about 120 usually attend service; baptisms, infants, 10; no confirmation held; no communion has as yet

been administered in this parish for want of proper accommodation. It is designed soon to administer it, the number of communicants attached to the parish being about 20 or 30. Burials, 6; public services on Sundays, 29; the catechism has been recently introduced; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 80; female, 1; teachers, 10; pupils, 60; infant, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 60; total, schools, 3; teachers, 23; pupils, 200.

This parish has no church, and the service has been held for a part of the year in a hose house, and for three months past in a Sunday school building erected by the vestry upon a lot belonging to the parish. Upon this lot a church is now designed to be erected to seat about 600 persons. The expense of the lot, Sunday school building, and church will be, (according to a careful estimate,) about $9000, and of this sum nearly $7000 has been secured.

The constant instruction of about 200 children in the Sunday schools has already led to the happiest results in the general improvement of the young.

The parish comprising a manufacturing population, the vestry was induced to open in the Sunday school building, immediately after its erection, an evening adult school for common education. This was continued so long as the season permitted, and the average attendance was about 40 in each department, male and female. A small sum was charged for tuition, and the extra expenses of the school, beyond the tuition, were chiefly defrayed by manufacturers and others residing in the vicinity.

The number of families and communicants cannot be ascertained until a proper place of worship is provided. The Sunday school room, holding about 120 persons, is usually filled on occasions of public worship.

Report of the Rev. Daniel Washburn, Deacon of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.

The above named was ordained to the first grade of the ministry in St. Stephen's Church, December 24th, 1848. He has since assisted the Priest in divine service 91 times, and conducted it alone 6 times, (so far as allowed by the Rubrics,) officiated at 4 funerals, 1 infant baptism, and 5 times at the holy communion, helping in the distribution thereof, catechised the Sun-

day school once during sickness of his presbyter, the Rev. Mr. Howe, and instructed a class therein twice on each Lord's day, besides speaking to the assembled schools, of both sexes, once on the subject of missions. He has also visited the sick and needy, while his presbyter devoted himself to the ministry of the word.

Report of the Rev. H. H. Weld, Rector of the parish of St. James' Church, in the county of Chester.

Congregation, families, 31; adults, 87; children, 70; total, 157; baptisms, infants, 9; confirmed, 3; communicants, added, 6; removed, 1; present number, 25; marriages, 3; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 104; in a vacant neighbouring parish, 13; other days, 6; total, 123; children catechised, 50; times, 12; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 22; female, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 42; total, schools, 2; teachers, 8; pupils, 64; collections, parochial, communion and other purposes, $80 92.

The church is not a self-sustaining one, and the need at home of more than can be raised there has prevented the application of money collected in the parish to missionary purposes without. In addition to the above collections, about one hundred dollars by the aid of the ladies to meet the liabilities of the church, the whole rental of which is only about $250 per annum. The Sunday school is in a very flourishing and efficient condition, and to its library one hundred volumes have been added within the past year. For ten dollars of the money expended in the purchase of these books, we have been indebted to the Sunday school of St. Philip's church, and for the like sum to the church of the Advent, Philadelphia.

Report of the Rev. William White, Rector of the parish of St. Peter's Church, in Butler, Butler county.

Congregation, families, 44; adults, 104; children, 72; total, 178; baptisms, adult, 1; children, 15; total, 16; communicants, added, 1; died or removed, 3; present number, 53; marriages, 2; burials, 6; public services on Sundays, 102; other days, 12; total, 114; children catechised, 16 times; Sun- school, teachers, 2; children, 20; collections, Christmas l, $4 10; Convention fund, 2 72; other purposes, 47; l, $53 82.

Report of the Rev. C. Wiltberger, Jr., Rector of Grace Church, Hulmeville; St. Luke's church, Newtown; St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville; and Trinity church, Centreville, Bucks county.

GRACE CHURCH, HULMEVILLE.

Congregation, families, 12; adults, 40; children, 10; total, 50; communicants, removed, 1; added, 1; present number, 16; public services, on Sundays, 22; Sunday school, teachers, 3; pupils, 20.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 30; children, 15; total, 45; baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, 8; burials, 3; public services, on Sundays, 22; other days, 4; total, 26; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 30.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, YARDLEYVILLE.

Congregation, families, 14; adults, 40; children, 20; total, 60; baptisms, adult, 1; confirmed, 1; communicants, added, 2; present number, 13; marriages, 2; public services, on Sundays, 29; other days, 6; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 3; pupils, 30.

TRINITY CHURCH, CENTREVILLE.

Congregation, families, 10; adults, 35; children, 20; total, 55; communicants, 7; public services, on Sundays, 19; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 40.

Report of the Rev. F. S. Wiley, Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church.

The undersigned would report the regular performance of his duty, as Assistant Minister in the parish of St. Ann's church, Brooklyn, N. Y., since the 1st of September, 1848.

Report of the Rev. James A. Woodward, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook Chester county, and St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown, Berks county.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HONEYBROOK.

Confirmed, 1; communicants, added, 2; present number, 35; public services, on Sundays, 54; other days, 1; total, 55; children catechised, every other Sunday during the summer; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 40; collections, Convention fund, $2; Missionary and other purposes, $5 94.

St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown.

Baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, removed, 6; present number, 58; marriages, 2; burials, 4; public services, on Sundays, 42; other days, 5; total, 47; children catechised, frequently; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 9; pupils, 50; collections, Missionary and other purposes, $13 20.

There was no collection in St. Mark's church for the Episcopal fund, and in St. Thomas there was none, either for the Episcopal or Convention fund, owing to unfavourable weather upon the days when they were to have been made.

In addition to the above, I have to report the following ministerial acts in other parishes: Public services, 5; marriage, 1; burial, 1.

I have become Rector of St. Mark's church since last Convention, and began my labours in St. Thomas' on the 16th of July, from which time my report for this parish dates. The congregation of St. Thomas' have manifested their love for the church by repairing the building, improving the grounds, and other acts of liberality.

Report of the Rev. Enos Woodward, Rector of the parish of St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, and St. Mary's Church, Warwick, Chester county.

St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent.

This congregation is made up of the members of about 60 families. One communicant has been added, 2 have died, and 2 removed; present number, 59; 1 adult has been baptized; I have solemnized 3 marriages, and officiated at 10 funerals; there has been 48 Sunday services held in the church, and 10 on week days, making, in all, 58, beside some occasional evening services held in school-houses; Sunday school, 1; collections for missions have amounted to $44 04, and appropriated to the Chester County Mission at the prison and poor-house of said county.

St. Mary's Church, Warwick.

Baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, died, 1; present number, 48; Sunday services, about 48; week days, one in the church, and in school-houses within the limits of the parish, about 7; total, 56; Sunday school, 1; teachers, 11; pupils, about 40; collec-

tions for missions have been appropriated to the Chester County Mission, as were those of St. Andrew's.

Report of the Rev. C. B. Wyatt, Rector of the parish of St. James the Less Church, Penn Township, Philadelphia county.

Congregation, families, 30; adults, 200; children, 100; total, 300; baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 14; total, 18; confirmed, 9; communicants, added, 21; died or removed, 10; present number, 47; marriages, 2; burials, 7; public services on Sundays, 85; other days, 103; total, 188; children catechised, 60; 6 times in church; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 5; pupils, 25; female, 1; teachers, 6; pupils, 48; total, schools, 2; teachers, 11; pupils, 73; collections, Episcopal fund, $7 30; Convention fund, 7 30; missionary and other purposes, 757 19; total, $771 79.

Report of the parish of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia, county of Philadelphia.

Congregation, families, 40; adults, 106; children, 110; total, 216; baptisms, infants, 11; communicants, added, 1; died or removed, 6; present number, 83; marriages, 2; burials, 6; public services, on Sundays, 101; other days, 22; total, 123; Sunday schools, male, 1; teachers, 3; female, 1; teachers, 6; schools, 2; teachers, 9; pupils, about 80; collections, Episcopal fund, $26 50; Convention fund, 6 18; Soc. Adv. of Christianity, 11 65; Christmas fund, 7 33; parochial purposes, 197 60; total, $249 26.

LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Adams County.

Christ church, Huntingdon township.

Allegheny County.

Trinity church, City of Pittsburg.
St. Andrew's church, City of Pittsburg.
Christ church, Allegheny.
St. John's church, Lawrenceville.
St. Paul's church, Laceyville.

Armstrong County.

St. Paul's church, Kittaning.
Trinity church, Freeport.

Beaver County.

Georgetown church, Georgetown.
St. Paul's church.
St. Peter's church, Beaver Falls.

Berks County.

St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin.
Christ church, Reading.
St. Thomas' church, Morgantown.

Bradford County.

St. Matthew's church, Pike.
Christ church, Towanda.
St. Paul's church, Troy.

Bucks County.

St. James the Greater's church.
St. Luke's church, Newtown.
St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville.
Grace church, Hulmeville.
Trinity church, Centreville.
St. Paul's church, Doylestown.

Butler County.

St. Peter's church, Butler.

Carbon County.

St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk.

Centre County.

Trinity church, Phillipsburg.
St. John's church, Bellefonte.

Chester County.

St. John's church, New London township.
St. Mary's church, Warwick township.
St. Peter's church, Great Valley.
St. John's church, Pequea.
St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township.
St. Andrew's church, West Vincent.
St. Mark's church, Honeybrook.
Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.
St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.
St. James' church, Downingtown.
St. James' church, West Marlboro'.

Columbia County.

St. Gabriel's church, Sugarloaf township.
St. Paul's church, Columbia.
St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg.
Christ church, Madison, Jerseytown.
Christ church, Danville.
Trinity church, Orangeville.
St. James' church, Derry.

Crawford County.

Christ church, Meadville.

Cumberland County.

St. John's church, Carlisle.

Dauphin County.

St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Delaware County.

St. Paul's church, Chester.
St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook.
St. John's church, Concord township.
St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor.
Calvary church, Rockdale.

Erie County.

St. Paul's church, Erie.
St. Peter's church, Waterford.

Fayette County.

Christ church, Brownsville.
Grace church, Menalen.
St. Peter's church, Uniontown.
Trinity church, Connelsville.

Huntingdon County.

St. John's church, Huntingdon.
Christ church, Holidaysburg.

Indiana County.

St. Peter's church, Blairsville.

Lancaster County.

St. James' church, Lancaster.
Christ church, Leacock.
Bangor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown.
All Saints' church, Paradise.
St. John's church, Marietta.
Hope church.

Luzerne County.

St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.
Trinity church, Carbondale.

Lycoming County.

St. James' church, Muncy.
St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore.
Christ church, Williamsport.

Mifflin County.

St. Mark's church, Lewistown.

Montgomery County.

St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township.
St. James' church, Perkiomen township.
St. John's church, Norristown.
Christ church, Pottstown.
Swedes' church, Upper Merion.

Northampton County.

Trinity church, Easton.

Northumberland County.

St. Matthew's church, Sunbury.
St. Mark's church.
Christ church, Milton.

Philadelphia County.

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St. James' church, Philadelphia.
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Grace church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia.
St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.
Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia.

St. Mark's church, Philadelphia.
Church of the Crucifixion.
St. Philip's church, Spring Garden.
Church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.
Church of the Redemption, Spring Garden.
Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond.
Church of the Mediator.
St. John's church, Northern Liberties.
Advent church, Northern Liberties.
St. Mark's church, Moyamensing.
All Saints' church, Moyamensing.
Church of the Evangelists, Southwark.
Trinity church, Southwark.
Church of the Messiah, Southwark.
Gloria Dei Church, Southwark.
St. Jude's church, District of Penn.
St. James' church, Kingsessing.
St. Matthew's church, Francisville.
St. James the Less church, North Penn township.
All Saints' church, Lower Dublin township.
Emanuel church, Holmesburg.
Trinity church, Oxford township.
St. Mark's church, Frankford.
St. Luke's church, Germantown.
St. Mark's church, Mantua, Blockley township.
Emanuel church, Kensington.
St. Bartholomew's church.
Zion church, South Penn Township.
St. Mary's church, West Philadelphia.
St. David's church, Manayunk.

Schuylkill County.

Trinity church, Pottsville.
St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.
St. Paul's church, Minersville.
Zion church, Tuscarora.
Church of the Holy Apostles, St. Clair.
Calvary church, Tamaqua.

Susquehanna County.

St. Andrew's church, Springville.
St. Mark's church, New Milford.
St. Paul's church, Montrose.

Tioga County.

St. Paul's church, Wellsborough.
Christ church, Blossburg.

Washington County.

Trinity church, Washington.

Wayne County.

Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish.
Truth church, Bethany.
St. John's church, Salem.

Westmoreland County.

Christ church, Greensburg.

York County.

St. John's church.

LIST OF THE CONGREGATIONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Adams County.

Christ church, Huntingdon township.

Allegheny County.

Trinity church, City of Pittsburg.
St. Andrew's church, City of Pittsburg.
Christ church, Allegheny.
St. John's church, Lawrenceville.
St. Paul's church, Laceyville.

Armstrong County.

St. Paul's church, Kittaning.
Trinity church, Freeport.

Beaver County.

Georgetown church, Georgetown.
St. Paul's church.
St. Peter's church, Beaver Falls.

Berks County.

St. Gabriel's church, Morlattin.
Christ church, Reading.
St. Thomas' church, Morgantown.

Bradford County.

St. Matthew's church, Pike.
[illegible]t church, Towanda.
[illegible]aul's church, Troy.

Bucks County.

St. James the Greater's church.
St. Luke's church, Newtown.
St. Andrew's church, Yardleyville.
Grace church, Hulmeville.
Trinity church, Centreville.
St. Paul's church, Doylestown.

Butler County.

St. Peter's church, Butler.

Carbon County.

St. Mark's church, Mauch Chunk.

Centre County.

Trinity church, Phillipsburg.
St. John's church, Bellefonte.

Chester County.

St. John's church, New London township.
St. Mary's church, Warwick township.
St. Peter's church, Great Valley.
St. John's church, Pequea.
St. Paul's church, West Whiteland township.
St. Andrew's church, West Vincent.
St. Mark's church, Honeybrook.
Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester.
St. Peter's church, Phœnixville.
St. James' church, Downingtown.
St. James' church, West Marlboro'.

Columbia County.

St. Gabriel's church, Sugarloaf township.
St. Paul's church, Columbia.
St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg.
Christ church, Madison, Jerseytown.
Christ church, Danville.
Trinity church, Orangeville.
St. James' church, Derry.

Crawford County.

Christ church, Meadville.

Cumberland County.

St. John's church, Carlisle.

Dauphin County.

St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Delaware County.

St. Paul's church, Chester.
St. Martin's church, Lower Chichester township, Marcus Hook.
St. John's church, Concord township.
St. David's church, Newtown township, Radnor.
Calvary church, Rockdale.

Erie County.

St. Paul's church, Erie.
St. Peter's church, Waterford.

Fayette County.

Christ church, Brownsville.
Grace church, Menalen.
St. Peter's church, Uniontown.
Trinity church, Connelsville.

Huntingdon County.

St. John's church, Huntingdon.
Christ church, Holidaysburg.

Indiana County.

St. Peter's church, Blairsville.

Lancaster County.

St. James' church, Lancaster.
rist church, Leacock.
gor church, Caernarvon township, Churchtown.
Saints' church, Paradise.
John's church, Marietta.
e church.

Luzerne County.

St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.
Trinity church, Carbondale.

Lycoming County.

St. James' church, Muncy.
St. Mary's church, Jersey Shore.
Christ church, Williamsport.

Mifflin County.

St. Mark's church, Lewistown.

Montgomery County.

St. Thomas' church, Whitemarsh township.
St. James' church, Perkiomen township.
St. John's church, Norristown.
Christ church, Pottstown.
Swedes' church, Upper Merion.

Northampton County.

Trinity church, Easton.

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Schuylkill County

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Church of the Holy Apostles, St. Clair.
Calvary Church, Tamaqua.

Susquehanna County.

St. Andrew's church, Springville.
St. Mark's church, New Milford.
St. Paul's church, Montrose.

Tioga County.

St. Paul's church, Wellsborough.
Christ church, Blossburg.

Washington County.

Trinity church, Washington.

Wayne County.

Grace church, Honesdale, Dyberry Parish.
Truth church, Bethany.
St. John's church, Salem.

Westmoreland County.

Christ church, Greensburg.

York County.

St. John's church.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. ALONZO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., Bishop, Philadelphia.

Adderly, William, missionary at Fallstown, and St. Paul's, Beaver county.

Allen, Thomas G., missionary in the city and county of Philadelphia.

Batcheller, Breed, missionary at Greensburgh, Westmoreland county, and Blairsville, Indiana county.

Bean, Henry H., rector of St. Andrew's church, Springville, Susquehanna county.

Beasley, Frederick W., rector of All Saints' church, Lower Dublin, and Christ chapel, Oak Grove. P. O. Bridgewater, Bucks county.

Beatty, Archibald, minister of Zion church, Tuscarora, Schuylkill county.

Bonnar, James, Philadelphia.

Bourns, William H., Holmesburg, Philadelphia county.

Bowman, Samuel, D.D., rector of St. James' church, Lancaster.

Boyd, George, D.D., rector of St. John's church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Breck, Charles, rector of Calvary church, Rockdale, Delaware county.

nan, Edward Y., rector of Christ church, Leacock, and
' church, Paradise, Lancaster county. P. O. Paradise.
evi, D.D., rector of Bangor church, Churchtown, and
as' church, Morgantown. P. O. Marsh, Chester co.

Carmichael, William M., D. D., rector of Christ church, Meadville, Crawford county.

Carpenter, T. S., missionary in Lancaster county. P. O. East Lancaster county.

Childs, John A., rector of St. David's church, Radnor, Delaware county.

Clark, Samuel A., rector of the church of the Advent, N. L. Philadelphia.

Clark, Wm. J., rector of Christ church, Williamsport, Lycoming county.

Clay, Jehu C., D. D., rector of the Swedes' church, Gloria Dei, Southwark.

Clemson, J. B., rector of the church of the Holy Trinity, Westchester, Chester county.

Clotworthy, William, missionary in Phillipsburgh, and Clearfield county. P. O. Clearfield.

Coit, J. Howland, rector of St. Stephen's church, Harrisburg.

Coleman, John, D. D., rector of Trinity church, Philadelphia.

Colhoun, John B., M. D., residing in Philadelphia.

Colton, Asa S., rector of St. Matthew's church, Pike, Bradford county.

Cooley, Wm. C., rector of Trinity church, Pottsville.

Cowell, Samuel, rector of Christ church, Brownsville.

Crumpton, Thomas, rector of Christ church, Allegheny. P. O. Pittsburg.

Davis, Robert, residing in Philadelphia.

Davis, Thomas J., Philadelphia.

Diehl, Wm. N., missionary at Whitemarsh, Montgomery county. P. O. Germantown.

Dorr, Benjamin, D. D., rector of Christ church, Philadelphia.

Douglass, Benjamin J., deacon, assisting the rector of St. Matthew's church, Francisville.

Douglass, Jacob M., residing in Philadelphia.

Douglass, Wm., rector of St. Thomas's (African) church, Philadelphia.

Downing, J. G., rector of St. James' church, Schuylkill Haven.

Drake, G. C., rector of St. James' church, Muncy.

Ducachet, Henry W., D. D., rector of St. Stephen's church, Philadelphia.

Dupuy, Charles M., residing in Philadelphia.

Durborow, George A., missionary at the church of the Redemption, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

Dyer, Heman, president of the Western University, Pittsburg.

Elsegood, Joseph J., rector of Christ church, Danville.

Evans, Rees C., residing in Philadelphia.

Field, G. C., rector of Emmanuel church, Holmesburg.

Flint, William, M. D., rector of St. Paul's church, Erie, Erie county.

Fowles, James H., rector of the church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia.

Goddard, Kingston, rector of the church of the Atonement, Philadelphia.

Good, Caleb I., residing in Philadelphia.

Goshorne, John M., deacon of St. Paul's, Laceyville.

Hall, Richard D., residing in Philadelphia.

Hard, Anson B.

Harris, Nathaniel Sayre, rector of the church of the Nativity, Spring Garden.

Hare, G. Emlen, D. D., rector of St. Matthew's church, Francisville, Philadelphia county, and principal of the Protestant Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia.

Hazlehurst, Samuel, rector of the church of the Messiah, Port Richmond, Philadelphia county.

Hiester, Henry T., rector of St. Mark's church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.

Hilton, William J., missionary at Kittanning and Freeport, Armstrong county.

Hinds, William S., Philadelphia.

Hirst, Marmaduke, missionary in Minersville, Schuylkill county.

Hoffman, C. C., missionary to Africa.

Hoffman, John W.

Hooker, Herman, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.

Hopkins, George P., missionary at Doylestown and parts adjacent. P. O. Germantown.

Howe, M. A. De Wolfe, rector of St. Luke's church, Philadelphia.

Huntington, Benjamin S.

Hutchins, Benjamin, residing in Philadelphia.

Jacquett, Joseph, residing in Philadelphia.

Jones, Edward C., Mantua village, Philadelphia county.

Jones, N. M., rector of St. Bartholomew's church, Philadelphia.

Kerr, John J., Kensington.

Killikelly, Bryan B., D. D., rector of St. Michael's church, Wayne township, Armstrong county.

Kirk, George, rector at New London X Roads and West Marlborough, Chester county. P. O. Downingtown, Chester county.

Lane, Freeman, Troy, Bradford county.

Leaf, Edmund, rector of Christ church, Pottstown, Montgomery county, and St. Gabriel's church, Douglasville, (Morlattin,) Berks county.

Lightner, Edward N., rector of Christ (Swedes) church, Upper Merion, Montgomery county. P. O. Norristown.

Lightner, Milton C., rector of Christ church, Danville, Columbia county.

Long, John, missionary at Montrose and New Milford, Susquehanna county.

Lord, Samuel T., residing at Meadville.

Lyman, Dwight E., missionary at Columbia and Marietta, Lancaster county.

Lyons, James G., LL.D., Philadelphia.

Marsden, John H., rector of Christ church, Adams county. P. O. York Springs.

Marple, A. Augustus, rector of St. Paul's church, Wellsburgh, Tioga county.

Maxwell, John Gordon, rector of Emanuel church, Kensington, Philadelphia.

McElhinny, John J., rector of Trinity church, Connellsville, Fayette county.

Mendenhall, Ed., missionary at Salem, Wayne county.

Miles, George D., rector of St. Stephen's church, Wilkesbarre.

Michell, Tobias Harpur, M. D., missionary at Waterford, Erie county.

Miller, D. S., rector of St. Jude's church, Spring Garden, Philadelphia.

Mintzer, Geo., rector of St. James' church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county. P. O. Perkiomen Bridge.

Morgan, R. U., D. D., rector of Christ church, Reading.

Montgomery, Henry E., rector of All Saints' church, Moyamensing, Philadelphia county.

Morris, B. W., rector of St. Matthew's church, Sunbury, Northumberland county.

Morton, Henry J., D. D., rector of St. James' church, Philadelphia.

Musgrave, Wm. B., deacon.

Nash, J. P., rector of St. Peter's church, Phœnixville, Chester county.

Natt, G. W., rector of St. John's church, Belle Fonte, Centre county.

Neville, E., D.D., rector of St. Philip's church, Philadelphia.

Newton, Rd., rector of St. Paul's church, Philadelphia.

Norris, W. H., rector of St. John's church, Carlisle.

Odenheimer, Wm. H., rector of St. Peter's church, Philadelphia.

Ogilby, Frederick, rector of the church of the Ascension, Philadelphia, and editor of the Banner of the Cross.

Parvin, Rodney, deacon, minister of Christ church, Towanda.

Perkins, W. S., rector of St. James' church, Bristol.

Preston, William, rector of St. Andrew's church, Pittsburg.

Quick, Chas. W., rector of St. Paul's church, Chester, and St. Martin's, Marcus Hook.

Quinan, Thomas H., rector of the church of the Evangelists, Philadelphia.

Rambo, Jacob, missionary to Africa.

Randall, Samuel, deacon, Philadelphia.

Reynolds, John, residing in Philadelphia.

Ridgely, Greenbury W.

Rodney, John, Jr., rector of St. Luke's church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

Rogers, Joshua M., rector of Trinity church, Easton.

Rudderow, Joel, minister of St. Paul's church, Bloomsburg, Columbia county.

Russell, P., missionary at Mauch Chunk, Carbon county.

Shannon, Owen E., minister of the church of the Crucifixion, Philadelphia, (a coloured mission.)

Sheets, George, rector of Trinity church, Oxford, Philadelphia county. P. O. Frankford, Philadelphia county.

Smithett, Wm., rector of Grace church, Honesdale.

Smith, Jacob B., officiating in St. James' church, Kingsessing, Philadelphia county.

Smith, Joseph H. missionary in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.

Smith, Richard, missionary at Greenville, Newcastle, and parts adjacent, Mercer county.

Spackman, Henry S., rector of St. Mark's church, Frankford, Philadelphia county.

Starkey, Thomas A.

Stem, Nathan, rector of St. John's church, Norristown.

Stevens, Wm. Bacon, D. D., rector of St. Andrew's church, Philadelphia.

Stratton, Samuel C., residing in Philadelphia.

Suddards, Wm., rector of Grace church, Philadelphia.

Suddards, Wm. L., Philadelphia.

Talbot, Mortimer R., chaplain in the U. S. Navy, stationed at the Naval Asylum, Philadelphia.

Thompson, C. West, rector of St. John's church, York, York county.

Trapier, Richard S., chaplain, and missionary to seamen in the port of Philadelphia.

Tullidge, Henry, rector of St. John's church, Pequea.

Upfold, Geo., D. D., rector of Trinity church, Pittsburg.

Van Pelt, Peter, assistant to the rector of the church of the Epiphany, and secretary of the Board of Missions, Philadelphia.

Vaughan, John A., D. D., rector of the Episcopal Female Institution, Philadelphia.

Ver Mehr, J. L., LL. D., missionary to Francisco, California, in the employment of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions.

Washburn, Danl., deacon.

Weld, H. Hastings, rector of St. James's church, Downingtown, Chester county.

White, William, missionary at Butler, and parts adjacent.

Wiley, F. S.

Williams, Charles S., D. D., residing in Philadelphia.

Wilson, Bird, D.D., LL. D., professor in the General Theological Seminary, New York.

Wiltberger, Christian, jr., missionary at Yardleyville, Centreville, Hulmeville, and Newtown, Bucks county.

Winchester, T. W. rector of St. Paul's and St. Peter's churches, Great Valley, Chester county.

Woodward, Enos, rector of St. Andrew's, West Vincent, and St. Mark's, Honeybrook, Chester county.

Woodward, Jas. A., rector of St. Mark's church, Honeybrook, Chester county, and St. Thomas' church, Morgantown, Berks county.

Wyatt, Christopher B., rector of St. James the Less, Penn township, Philadelphia county.

Yarnall, Thomas C., rector of St. Mary's church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county.—142.

APPENDIX.

The Trustees of the Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen respectfully present their Annual Report.

The balance in the Treasury last year was - -	$267 04
The receipts during the year have been—	
From Churches, - - - - - - -	728 91
From individuals, - - - - - - -	13 00
From interest on investments, and the sale of a portion of the same, - - - - - -	445 25
	$1454 20
There has been expended in appropriations to five Clergymen, and the widow of a Clergyman, -	950 00
Leaving a balance now in the Treasury of -	$504 20

The Trustees also hold one thousand dollars of the five per cent. loan of the city of Philadelphia, making the whole amount of their available funds, about one thousand five hundred dollars.

The amount of the annual appropriations at this time is one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars, and as additional calls may be reasonably expected during the ensuing year, it is hoped that more liberal and general contributions will be made, that the small contingent fund now invested may at least continue unimpaired.

A vacancy has occurred during the past year in the Board of Trustees, by the death of Robert Toland, Esq.

The Trustees will not let this occasion pass without a record of the high estimation, in which he was held for his usefulness, and for the Christian virtues which marked his life, and adorned his character. Living in the confession before men, of the Catholic faith, he died in the communion of the Catholic Church, and we have the comfortable hope, that the end of his probation on earth was but a transition from the cares and anxieties of this life to a realization of his faith, in the peace and rest of the Paradise of God. By order of the Trustees,

May 12th, 1849. WM. H. NEWBOLD, Sec'ry.

1848.			Dolls.	C.
May 18	To cash paid Rt. Rev. Al. Potter, travelling expenses,		266	72
	" " the following clergymen on account of mileage:			
	Rev. E. Y. Buchanan,	$ 4 00		
	" Geo. Upfold,	18 00		
	" Wm. Flint,	37 00		
	" A. S Colton,	15 00		
	" Geo. W. Natt,	13 00		
	" Geo. G. Field,	11 00		
	" B. Wistar Morris,	10 00		
	" R. U. Morgan,	3 00		
	" Charles Breck,	17 00		
	" H. T. Heister,	11 00		
	" Wm. H. Norris,	7 00		
	" N. M. Jones,	17 00		
	" John Reynolds,	14 50		
	" Geo. C. Drake,	4 00		
	" J. N. Rogers,	8 00		
	" William Hilton,	20 00		
	" K. J. Stewart,	14 00		
	" John Long,	16 00		
	" J. W. Hoffman,	8 00		
	" Geo. Kirke,	1 50		
	" W. M. Carmichael,	27 00		
	" Rich'd. Smith,	26 00		
	" H. Tullidge,	3 00		
	" Freeman Lane,	14 00		
	" Edwin Mendenhall,	5 00		
			324	00
	Amount carried forward,		590	72

Pennsylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1848.				Dolls.	C.
May 9	By balance in treasury per account rendered,			171	49
10	cash contribution, St. Mathew's ch. Francisville,		$5 00		
	" "	Christ ch. Meadville,	5 50		
	" "	Trinity ch. New Castle,	6 00		
	" "	Grace ch. Philadelphia,		50	00
	" "	St. John's ch. N. Liberties,	6 09		
	" "	Ch. of Holy Trinity, W. Ch.	5 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Norristown,	5 00		
	" "	Advent ch. N. Liberties,	11 32		
	" "	St. John's ch. Bellefonte,	3 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Huntingdon,	2 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Pequea,	3 50		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. Frankford,	5 27		
	" "	Trinity ch. Oxford,	5 00		
	" "	St. Mathew's ch. Sunbury,	5 00		
	" "	Christ ch. Reading,	11 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Pittsburgh,	20 00		
	" "	All Saints' ch. Paradise,	7 74		
	" "	Christ ch. Leacock,	3 00		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Wellsboro',	5 00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Lancaster,	15 75		
	" "	Bangor ch. Churchtown,	4 50		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. Lewistown,	3 44		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Erie,	9 00		
	" "	St. Peter's ch Phœnixville,	4 60		
	" "	St. Mathew's ch. Bradford co.	2 00		
	" "	Emanuel ch. Holmesburg,	8 00		
	" "	St. John's ch. Carlisle,	6 19		
	" "	Grace ch. Hulmeville,	40		
	" "	St. Luke's ch. Newtown,	68		
	" "	St. Mary's ch. Chester co.	1 60		
	" "	St. Peter's ch. Uniontown,	5 00		
	" "	Grace ch. Menallen,	1 25		
	" "	St. Thomas' ch. Morg'twn,	2 00		
	" "	St. Martin's ch. M. Hook,	5 00		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Chester,	2 00		
	" "	Grace ch. Honesdale,	5 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Carbondale,	1 00		
	" "	St. Luke's ch. Germantown,	5 00		
	" "	St. James' ch. Sch. Haven,	5 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Easton,	6 16		
	" "	St. Mary's ch. West Phil.	10 00		
	" "	St. Andrew's ch. W. Vinc't.	3 16		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Troy,	1 50		
	" "	Calvary ch. Rockdale,	5 00		
	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Wilksb're,	10 64		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Kittaning,	5 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Freeport,	4 50		
	" "	St. John's ch. New London,	1 75		
	" "	St. David's ch. Radnor,	2 70		
	Amounts carried forward,		252 25	221	49

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...sylvania, in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. Cr.

				Dolls.	C.
...18.		Amounts brought forward,	$252 26	221	49
18	By cash contribution,	St. James' the Less ch.	10 00		
	" "	Trinity ch. Connelsville,	2 25		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. Montrose,	1 84		
	" "	St. Mark's ch. N. Milford,	3 16		
	" "	St. John's ch. Salem,	1 12		
	" "	St. John's ch. York,	2 50		
	" "	All Saints' ch. L. Dublin,	3 00		
	" "	St. Paul's ch. W. Whiteland,	4 00		
	" "	Christ ch. Danville,	3 00		
				283	12
	" "	St. Andrew's ch. Phila.		63	10
June 5	" "	St. Paul's ch. "		20	00
12	" "	St. James' ch. "		38	06
12	" "	Gloria Dei ch. "		14	94
26	" "	St. Stephen's ch. "		15	00
Oct. 16	" "	St. Peter's ch. "		50	00
24	" "	Christ ch. "		25	07
Nov. 21	" "	Trinity ch. Southwark,		18	86
1849.					
April 23	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Philad.		50	00
24	" "	Ch. of the Epiphany "		50	00
30	" "	St. Luke's ch. "		50	00
May 8	" "	Ch. of the At'ment "		25	00
8	" "	St. Phillip's ch. "		50	00
				$974	64
May 8	By balance in the treasury,			$109	72

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 8, 1849.

Dr. Christmas Fund in aid of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen,

1848.		Dolls.	C.
May 15	To cash paid Mrs. Rach'l. Bryant, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 April,	25	00
16	" " Rev. Richard Smith, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 May,	50	00
June 1	" " Rev. Robert Davis, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 June,	50	00
13	" " Rev. Robert Davis, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Sept.	50	00
July 1	" " Mrs. Rach'l. Bryant, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 July,	25	00
Aug. 5	" " Rev. Richard Smith, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Aug.	25	00
5	" " Rev. S. T. Lord, 6 mos. appropriation, due 1 Sept.	125	00
31	" " Rev. Richard Smith, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Nov.	25	00
Oct. 2	" " Mrs. Rach'l. Bryant, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Oct.	25	00
16	" " Rev. Wm. H. Bourns, 6 mos. appropriation, due 1st inst.	125	00
31	" " Rev. Robert Davis, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Dec.	50	00
Dec. 26	" " Rev. Anson B. Hard, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Jan. 1849,	62	50
18 49.			
Jan. 2	" " Mrs. Rach'l. Bryant, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Jan.	25	00
Feb. 21	" " Rev. Robert Davis, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 March,	50	00
Mar. 27	" " Rev. Anson B. Hard, 3 mos. appropriation, 1 April,	62	50
Apl. 2	" " Mrs. Rach'l. Bryant, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 April,	25	00
	Amount carried over,	800	00

in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. Cr.

1848.				Dolls.	C.
May 9	By balance in the treasury, per acc. rendered,			267	04
15	cash contribution from a lady in Mercer co. Pa.		$3 00		
19	" "	through Rev. R. Smith,	3 00		
19	" "	from St. James' ch. Lanc'r,	21 55		
19	" "	Emanuel ch. Ken.	8 28		
June 13	" "	Advent ch. N. L.	13 60		
July 13	" "	interest on investments,		35	25
Nov. 21	" "	proceeds of investments sold,		410	00
29	" "	from All Saints' ch. Moy'g,	7 00		
Dec. 26	" "	St. Peter's ch. Phil.	75 00		
27	" "	St. Stephen's ch. "	33 82		
28	" "	Christ ch. "	61 90		
29	" "	St. John's ch. Bellef't,	7 00		
29	" "	St. Luke's ch. Phil.	57 71		
30	" "	St. James' ch. "	60 00		
30	" "	Trinity ch. Pottsville,	11 00		
1849.					
Jan. 1	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Wilkesbarre,	12 00		
2	" "	Ch. of the Atonement, Phil.	36 00		
2	" "	St. Paul's ch. Wellsboro,	8 00		
2	" "	Trinity ch. Southwark,	19 10		
3	" "	Bangor ch. Ch'town,	15 00		
4	" "	St. Peter's ch. Phœnixville,	5 00		
4	" "	Christ ch. Pottstown,	5 00		
4	" "	St. Gabriel's ch. Morlatten,	2 00		
5	" "	Christ ch. Danville,	3 00		
8	" "	St. Paul's ch. Chester,	6 65		
8	" "	St. Martin's ch. Marcus Hook,	4 41		
8	" "	Ch. of Gloria Dei,	7 60		
9	" "	Trinity ch. Pittsburgh,	85 00		
9	" "	Trinity ch. Oxford,	7 10		
11	" "	Emanuel ch. Holmesburg,	12 18		
	Amount carried over,		$590 91	712	29

Dr. Christmas Fund, in aid of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen

1849.			Dolls.	C.
	Amount brought forward,	$800 00		
Apl. 9	To cash paid Rev. Richard Smith, 3 mos. appropriation, due 1 Feb.	25 00		
23	" Rev. S. T. Lord, 6 mos. appropriation, due 1 March,	125 00		
May 10	balance in the treasury, carried down,	504 20		
			1454	20
			1454	20

We have examined the above account, compared it with the vouchers, and found it correct, the balance in the Treasurer's hands being five hundred and four dollars and twenty cents, and the investment one thousand dollars in city of Philadelphia 5 per cent. stock.

JOHN WELSH, Jr.
WM. H. NEWBOLD, } *Committee.*

Philadelphia, May 12th, 1849.

in account with Thomas Robins, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1849.				Dolls.	C.
	Amount brought forward,		$590 91	712	29
Jan. 11	By cash contribution,	St. Stephen's ch. Har.	12 00		
11	" "	Christ ch. Upper Merion,	4 00		
13	" "	St. John's ch. Huntingdon,	2 00		
13	" "	Ch. of the Holy Trinity, Westchester,	8 50		
15	" "	St. Paul's ch. Philad.	21 00		
15	" "	St. Matthew's ch. Sunbury,	5 00		
16	" "	St. David's ch. Manayunk,	8 50		
18	" "	Christ ch. Reading,	18 00		
23	" "	St. James' ch. Sch. Haven,	7 37		
25	" "	Christ ch. Brownsville,	10 00		
26	" "	St. Stephen's ch. Harrisburg, for the year 1848,	8 00		
30	" "	Ch. of the Advent, N. L.	10 00		
31	" "	St. James' ch. Perkiomen,	4 30		
Feb. 27	" "	from Mrs. Jno. Markoe, her annual subscription,	5 00		
Mar. 5	" "	St. Mary's ch. West Phil.	7 33		
Apl. 5	" "	Christ ch. Towanda,	5 00		
23	" "	" Meadville,	10 00		
May 7	" "	from Mrs. Wm. Cox, Jr. her annual subscription,	5 00		
				741	91
				1454	20
	By balance brought down,			504	20

E. E. THOMAS ROBINS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 10, 1849.

Dr. **Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,**

1848.			Dolls.	C.
May 18	To cost of a check book,		2	25
Nov. 2	Investment of Surplus of last year's receipts, in Cert. of Penna. 5 per cts., for $162 72, a 73¾,		120	00
	Payments to Bishop Potter.			
Sept. 2	Paid him on acc't., Salary,	875 00		
Nov. 23	" " " "	670 00		
Dec. 19	" " " "	205 00		
1849.				
Feb. 23	" " " "	875 00		
May 8	" " " "	875 00		
			2500	00
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,		387	03
			4009	28

E. & O. E.

JOHN WELSH, Jr., *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 8th, 1849.

The undersigned appointed by the Standing Committee, do certify that they have examined the foregoing account, and found the same correct.

G. M. WHARTON,
T. M. PETTIT.

Philadelphia, May 8th, 1849.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is invested in five per cent. Stock of the State of Pennsylvania, and amounts at this time to nineteen thousand eight hundred and fifty-two dollars and eight cents, ($19,852 08,) in stock, and three hundred and eighty-seven dollars and three cents, ($387 03,) in cash. The investment has been increased during the year, one hundred and sixty-two dollars and seventy-two cents, ($162 72.)

James S. Smith,
G. M. Wharton,
T. M. Pettit,
Thomas Robins,
John Welsh, Jr.
} *Trustees.*

Philadelphia, May 14th, 1849.

in account with John Welsh, Jr, Treasurer. **Cr.**

				Dolls.	C
1848.					
May 9	By balance as per account submitted and audited,			123	67
	Receipts from Parishes during the year:				
10	St. Matthew's ch. Francisville,	$10 22			
16	Christ ch. Towanda, $5; St. James', Perkiomen, 3 53,	8 53			
16	St. John's, Norristown, 7; Advent, N. L. 11 32,	18 32			
16	Holy Trinity, West Chester, 5; St. John's, Bellefonte, 4,	9 00			
16	St. John's, Huntingdon, 2 30; St. John's, Pequea, 4 18,	6 48			
17	Trinity, Oxford, 2 56; Trinity, Pittsburg, 80,	82 56			
17	St. James', Lancaster, 22 66; St. Paul's, Tioga, 10,	32 66			
17	St. Thomas', Morgantown, 5; Bangor and Churchtown, 8,	13 00			
17	Redemption, Spring Garden, 1 81; Emanuel, Kensington, 6 50,	8 31			
17	St. Mark's, Lewistown, 3 44; St. Luke's, Germantown, 10,	13 44			
17	Trinity, Carbondale, 4 75; Emanuel, Holmesburg, 8,	12 75			
17	St. James', Sch. Haven, 4 40; St. Mary's, Hamilton, 25 10,	29 50			
18	St. Andrew's, Pittsburg, 40; St. Paul's, Chester, 2 45,	42 45			
18	St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, 3 75; Calvary, Rockdale, 5,	8 75			
18	St. Thomas', Whitemarsh, 3 50; St. John's, Carlisle, 15,	18 50			
June 6	St. James', Downingtown, 2; St. John's, York, 5,	7 00			
13	Trinity ch. Pottsville, for 1847, 1848,	10 00			
July 5	St. Stephen's ch. Harrisburg,	8 00			
1849.					
Mar. 6	" "	25 00			
Apl. 3	All Saints' ch. Paradise,	6 00			
12	St. John's ch. Bellefonte,	5 00			
May 4	St. Stephen's ch. Wilkesbarre,	15 00			
Apl. 30	St. Luke's ch. Philad.	30 71			
May 8	St. Philip's ch. 50; Ch. of the Atonement, 50,	100 00			
				521	18
1848.	*Receipts from the investments of the Episcopal Fund:*				
Aug. 2	By 6 mos. int. on Penn. 5 per ct. loan, (19,689.36,)	$492 23			
	Less state tax, 24 61; dis. on relief notes, 7.79,	32 40			
			459 83		
1849.					
Feb. 2	6 mos. int. on 19,852.08, Penn. 5 per cent. loan,	496 30			
	Less state tax, 24.82; dis. on relief notes, 5.31,	30 13			
			466 17		
				926	00
	Amount carried forward,			$1,570	85

					Dolls.	C.
1848.						
	Amount brought forward,				1570	85
	Receipts from the A. Doz legacy, for the support of the Episcopate.					
	Per T. H. White, Trustee:					
Aug. 5	6 mos. int. on Penn. 5 per cent. loan,	$ 35	31			
	Dis. on relief notes,		50			
				34 81		
26	Wm. Stewart's ground rent,			72 00		
Nov. 27	McCall do., 1 year, 12; less taxes, 3,			9 00		
1849.						
Feb. 5	6 mos. int. on Penn. 5 per cent. loan,	35	31			
	Dis. on relief notes,		44			
				34 87		
10	Wm. Stewart's ground rent,			72 00		
	Per Jas. S. Smith, Esq., trustee:					
Apl. 30	3½ years ground rent from J. Lawrence & Son,			84 00		
					306	68
	Receipts from Pilmore Legacy.					
1848.	Per Jas. S. Newbold, Esq., treasurer:					
Aug. 25	6 mos. int. on $7,664.37, Penn. 5 per ct. loan,	182	03			
	Dis. on relief notes,	2	26			
				179 77		
1849.	Per R. R. Montgomery, Esq., treasurer:					
Feb. 5	6 mos. int. on $7,664.37 Penn. 5 per ct. loan,	191	61			
	Less state taxes,	9	58			
				182 03		
					361	80
	Receipts from loan in aid of fund for the support of the Episcopate in Pennsylvania.					
1848.	Per Jas. S. Newbold, Esq., treasurer:					
Aug. 25	6 mos. int. of fund,	160	41			
	Dis. on relief notes,		87			
				159 54		
1849.	Per R. R. Montgomery, Esq., treasurer:					
Feb. 5	6 mos. int. of fund,			160 41		
					319	95
1848.	*Special contributions in aid of Bishop's salary.*					
June 12	St. James' ch. Philad.			150 00		
Nov. 21	St. Stephen's "			150 00		
25	Ch. of the Epiphany,			150 00		
	Amount carried forward,			450 00	2559	28

in account with John Welsh, Jr., Treasurer. Cr.

1848.				Dolls.	C.
	Amount brought forward,		$450 00	2559	28
Dec. 19	St. Paul's ch.	Philad.	150 00		
28	Christ	"	150 00		
1849.					
Jan. 3	Grace	"	150 00		
Feb. 10	St. Peter's	"	150 00		
12	St. Philip's	"	100 00		
Mar. 6	St. Luke's	"	$95 00		
April 30	"	"	55 00		
3			150 00		
	St. Andrew's	"	150 00	1450	00
				$4009	28

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia, on the third Tuesday of May, 1850, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

GEORGE M. WHARTON, *Secretary.*

Officers and Agents of Church Institutions,

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Form of Certificate of Election of Lay Delegates.

It is hereby certified, that, at a meeting of the vestry of Church in in the county of held on the day of 18 , Mr. was duly elected a lay deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to be held in on the day of next; and that the said deputy is now, and has also been for not less than the six calendar months next before his election, a worshipper in the said Church.

Dated this of 18

} *Warden.*

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